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## Developer meets with residents

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO—About 25 residents met with developer Charles Oewel last Wednesday to discuss plans for the building of a theater complex on the Del Norte BART station. The meeting was sponsored by Sustainable El Cerrito but attracted a number of "first-timers" interested in this particular development issue. According to SEC member Steve Price, the idea for meeting with the public came from Oewel. "He's been interested in planning for a long time, but we've been so involved with the Plaza," said Price, referring to the group's consideration of a number of development proposals submitted for El Cerrito Plaza. "It seems like every meeting we've had recently has been Plaza-oriented. Things quieted down, and we still wanted to come talk with us, so we set it up for last week." Oewel was accompanied by representative of AMC Theaters, which has an interest in constructing a multi-screen theater as a critical component in the multi-use project. Oewel took the opportunity to update the audience on his current plans. The AMC representative did not make a presentation. Oewel told the group that the "flip" in site orientation he made last fall, switching the respective locations of the housing and theater/retail components of his project, was a direct result of input he'd received. See THEATER, page 18

## Plan to replace AC Transit line derailed

By Greg Hugunin

ALBANY — In what seems a Kafkaesque twist in the battle to restore weekend and evening bus service to Albany Hill, a proposal to install two new lines in the area has been tabled somewhere in AC Transit's decision-making process. While some residents of the condominium complexes on the west side of the hill have been fighting to restore weekend and evening service on the 43 line since it was cut on Dec. 31, 1995, an apparent solution to the problem seems to have run aground, leaving many involved scratching their heads as to exactly

what happened. The proposal, which made it into draft form and got no further, would have involved two new lines, one running from the corner of San Pablo and Solano avenues along Pierce Street and back up to the El Cerrito Plaza BART station, the other from the BART station north into Richmond. Apparently, a union-based Drivers' Committee, as well as members of AC Transit's budget and finance departments, requested that the proposal be tabled. While Christine Zook, president of the Amalgamated Transit Union Local 192, said the proposal would have cut

into bus service in East Oakland as well as drivers' recovery time, transportation advocates and AC Transit Board members seem to have been left out of the loop and were unsure last week why the plan fell by the wayside. "Just what role was played by whom is still a little murky here," said Boardmember Miriam Hawley, who was elected to the seven-member body last November. "The issue here is trying to sort out what happened," Boardmember John Woodbury said. "I'm not happy with the outcome. I thought it had been resolved, but then it hadn't."

Restoration of weekend and evening bus service to the area has been the subject of a handful of meetings since last year, when cash-strapped AC Transit made sweeping cuts in service. The cuts, which many involved in the issue say were done in a less than surgical manner, left residents of the Gateview, Bridgewater and Bayside Commons condominium complexes who do not own cars essentially stranded during weekends, evenings and holidays. Public transportation advocates and residents of the complexes did not take the cuts lying down, however. Meetings were held, letters

written and phone calls made, resulting in a draft proposal which would have created two new lines, as well as apparently saving two weekday equivalent platform hours. The proposal, dated Nov. 13, 1996, seems to have been killed at some point, though, at least in part as a result of objections by the Drivers' Committee. Strangely, many involved in the issue did not hear for some time that the deal had been scotched, who had done so, when they had done it, or on what basis they had the authority to take such an action. See TRANSIT, page 18



Chester King Vega

## Dance makes for a swinging good time

A good time was to be had at the Soroptimist International and Albany Education Foundation Country/Western Dance recently at the Veteran's Memorial Building. The event included a dinner, with proceeds going to support grants awarded to the community.

## Prop. 218 voids funding for ambulance

### Assessment set for June ballot

By Greg Hugunin

ALBANY—While city voters chose in November to assess themselves \$69 per year to purchase open space, they will find themselves faced with another, less expensive, choice in June which in all probability will mean the difference between life and death. As is or will be the case with nearly every city in Alameda County, the City Council Tuesday night took its first hard look at recently-passed Prop. 218—the "Right to Vote on Taxes Act." According to recent interpretations of the initiative, Albany's Emergency Medical Services assessment of \$30.84 will no longer be valid as of July 1, forcing the city to either re-affirm the tax by a 2/3 vote or seek another avenue through which to provide ambulance and paramedic service. Currently, the tax raises \$219,000 a year so that a pair of paramedics are on call, with their own ambulance, 24 hours a day at the city's fire station. While county ambulances are required to respond within 10 minutes of a call being received, in Albany they respond in an average of three minutes, according to Fire Chief Marc McGinn. "(Voters) have to ask themselves, 'Is \$30.84 worth a seven-minute increase in response time?'" McGinn said prior to the meeting. "I don't think you could put a price tag on that." According to McGinn, if, for example, a person's heart were to stop, they have approximately four minutes before their chances of survival begin dropping dramatically toward zero, with death becoming certain at eight minutes. If a person is choking, they have two or three minutes before they go unconscious. Their heart would stop beating around four minutes after that. Approximately 69 percent of the department's calls are medical, McGinn said. City residents will not pay any new taxes if the assessment is re-affirmed. If it is not, however, Albany would either have to shift money from another program to cover the cost of having its own ambulance service, or face a significant decrease in response time. Not a glimmer of resistance was to be found as the council, moving on the fast track because interpretation of the new law was arrived at only recently, authorized city staff to fix a date for a special, June election aimed at authorizing the assessment. The effort goes hand in hand with a similar one county-wide to reauthorize an assessment of \$21.14, which funds three trauma centers and provides Albany with \$28,000 per year. See AMBULANCE, page 18

## Albany City Council approves youth master plan

Greg Hugunin

ALBANY—After a more than year-long effort involving a thousand man-hours worth of meetings, the Albany Youth Task Force has released a final draft of the Youth Master Plan. The plan, a "living document" aimed at making a better life for the more than 3,000 children who live in Albany, was approved by the City Council Tuesday night by a 5-0 vote. Objectives to be undertaken as a part of the plan have now been prioritized, with a list of short-term goals. As has been the case at previous meetings, reuse from the council and public was slim. The Youth Task Force will hold a "kick-off" event on April 25 to celebrate the more than year of hard work which has gone into the plan. While the content of the plan has changed little since it was released in draft form last summer, one

somewhat controversial proposal — a "graffiti wall" — has been replaced by a "mural area." A number of city residents, including Police Chief Larry Murdo and Graffiti Buster and task force member Matt Rinaldi, objected to the wall, in Murdo's case on the basis that it might encourage violence as a result of disputes over turf. "The group really felt like there was a need for kids to express themselves artistically," said Assistant City Administrator Ann Ritzma, pointing to the already elaborate set of murals inside Albany High School. A new section, added to the plan since its release in draft form, lists the many objectives in order of priority, with some slated as ongoing, and some short, medium or long-term. At the top of the list of short-term objectives is the much discussed teen cafe, which the plan envisions as a collaborative effort between youth groups and private business. Danville, San Mateo, Pinole and Daly City all

have teen cafes operated by various combinations of public and private entities, Ritzma said. Other short term objectives at the top of the list include the mural area, more recreational playfields, and expansion of the Kids College and DARE programs, as well as an overall expansion of youth-oriented activities. A Chamber of Commerce-sponsored program to promote job opportunities for youth tops the list of medium-term objectives, followed by increased counseling and peer support at Albany schools and a community watch program along the BART path. The plan also calls for exploration of a student court, sports events involving youth and the police and fire departments, and various youth-oriented activities, including twilight basketball and dances. Over the long term, the plan focusses on enriching curriculum at the high school, followed by the hiring of

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## Kensington Park draft near completion

Dawn Frasier

KENSINGTON — The Kensington Park Advisory Committee has a concept plan for the community's new park ready for

public review by March 22. KPAC Chair Peter Bluhon is working on a draft of concepts to present to the committee for discussion March 6. The committee is following a process similar to that of the city of El Cerrito when developing a concept plan for the development of El Cerrito Plaza. Residents and other interested parties gathered for a series of workshops at which they suggested and discussed ideas for development of the shopping center. A planning consultant drafted a plan based on those discussions; that plan was again discussed and



## A creek now runs through it

The city of El Cerrito recently completed creek restoration along the Ohlone Greenway between Schmidt and Moeser Lane.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Parents make a difference

The Journal received the following letter addressed to Albany parents.

As you have probably heard, the Albany Teachers Association and the Board of Education have signed a new contract ending our dispute. As a Journal article might put it, "we settled." What would be left out of that article is the crucial part parents and concerned citizens played in making that settlement possible.

The Albany Teachers Association wishes to thank you for the constant support you gave us throughout this process, personally at school sites and by telephoning board members, writing them and joining us at demonstrations. It was your help which made the difference.

We are hopeful that, because of your strong support, the Board (especially with its new members) has finally realized that Albany teachers have a central, not a peripheral, part to play in the process of budget, expansion, curriculum and all developments.

We are back at work bringing you the curricular and extracurricular program you have come to expect.

Susan Charlip  
President, Albany Teachers Association

### Citizens deserve answers

Editor:

Now that the election has come and gone, perhaps it is time to reevaluate the failure of Measure H and the sea of change in electoral sentiment that this signifies.

Although many of our city council members appear to be in a perpetual state of denial, the loss of confidence in our city council cannot be denied, nor the more selective and discriminating view the El Cerrito voter takes of the spending of public monies. Though the election is gone, several troubling matters remain:

1. As a volunteer member of the 1996 El Cerrito Task Force on Finance and Services, I spent many hours pouring over the departmental financial records that the city provided. However, it seemed that the records released were too scanty and selective to give the members of the Task Force a full and complete snapshot in time of the true state of the city's finances and document even the need for a hike in the then proposed \$75 per household rise. (City council summarily and without consultation with the Task Force raised it further to the \$125 that appeared in Measure H.)

2. When I raised the issue of an in-depth examination of areas where the budget could be cut, city officials dismissed my concerns. It seemed clear that the real purpose for the convening of the Task Force was to find new programs to justify a tax assessment increase and this resulted in a grab bag of a wish list of some 20 new possible areas to spend taxpayer funds.

3. It was impossible to track many expenditures over a period of more than one to two years, since the departmental entities, programs, etc. were constantly being reshuffled, rearranged and switched from one department to another. This did not result in streamlining city operations as far as it could be determined, or appear to serve any useful purpose.

4. At no point was consideration or discussion of the city's financial stake in redevelopment activities, the renegotiation and restructuring of debt obligations nor the long term implications of major city involvement in the proposed Del Norte or El Cerrito Plaza allowed. No where in the budget is there provision for potential \$30 - 40 million in protracted litigation, parcel assemblage, tenant relocation and other associated costs of redevelopment. Our city council may need to be reminded that there are no fire walls between failed redevelopment projects and the brunt the local taxpayers bear as witness the City of Oakland's present dilemma.

5. When the question of continuing the Task Force was raised at the formal city council meeting back in September, Councilman Norman La Force dismissed the Task Force without further discussion, though many of its members were then at a point of considerable familiarity with city finances and could have been an invaluable asset and resource to the city in the more difficult months ahead.

For all of the above reasons, I would urge the city council to convene a town hall style meeting or series of neighborhood meetings at which the city will respond to the many nagging and troublesome questions concerning redevelopment debts, "loans"

to outside agencies such as Rubicon, and more forthrightly tackle the growing sense of unease concerning the true state of the city's finances.

Evelyn Kireson

Member, City of El Cerrito Task Force on Finance and Services, 1996

### Answering the allegations

Editor:

Having read Councilmember Norman La Force's attack on me in the Journal's Feb. 13 Letters to the Editor column, I can only say he is more to be pitied than censured.

From beginning to end, his letter is nothing more than a piece of demented fiction. Ordinarily I would not dignify it with an answer since all the techniques employed in the letter — outright lies, distortions and name-calling — seem to be Mr. La Force's stock in trade. He uses them on anyone who disagrees with him. Since I'm among the latest to disagree with him, it's only logical that he use them on me.

I'm answering him now only because I resent his lying about the El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce.

In his letter he claims that last August the Chamber "went on record endorsing and supporting Milton Bilak's Wal-Mart plan for El Cerrito Plaza." Not true. The Chamber has never taken a stand in favor of any of the proposed redevelopment plans. And, I strongly suspect Mr. La Force knows that.

He claims I appeared before the council and the Redevelopment Agency, told them the Chamber endorsed the Wal-Mart proposal, and urged them to select Bilak as the developer immediately. Again not true. Because I expect someone like him will twist my words, I always speak from a prepared text when talking to city officials. According to the text of my talk that night, the very first words out of my mouth were: "I'm not here tonight to tell you the Chamber of Commerce favors one or the other of the seven proposals for redevelopment of El Cerrito Plaza. The Chamber doesn't have nearly enough information to be able to judge these plans."

At that meeting I did say that the council "ought to stop saying your opposition to Wal-Mart is based on your efforts to protect established businesses here who oppose it." I went on to say: "No doubt a few individual businesses think they will be hurt if Wal-Mart were allowed to locate here. But a far greater number of local businesses feel that Walmart is our best chance for changing El Cerrito Plaza from a struggling community business center into a prosperous district center."

I enjoyed Mr. La Force coming to the defense of the "many members of the public" who worked on the city's concept plan for El Cerrito Plaza. What "many members of the public?" Out of a city composed of some 23,000 members of the public, only 60 (some from out of town — including myself) participated at all in his well-orchestrated planning process.

Mr. La Force claims I wrote some nasty things about the people who were trying to saddle us with a plan to turn El Cerrito Plaza into an "urban village" beside a babbling brook. I was, in reality, quoting a writer by the name of P. J. O'Rourke on the subject of what he calls "eco-weenies." And, in all fairness, I did say in my message to the Chamber membership (which is not available to the general public as La Force claims) that the terms used by O'Rourke were a bit harsh. That's something La Force managed to ignore.

Mr. La Force finally lost all touch with reality when he claimed my quoting O'Rourke's description of "eco-weenies" as "tofu twinks" constituted crude name calling on my part and was a racist attack by me on Asian people. It may come as a shock to him, but plenty of Non-Asians (vegetarians, for example) eat tofu. I'm surprised he failed to charge me with hating vegetarians, too.

But, when you're backed into a corner by the truth, there's nothing left to do but defend yourself by calling the truth-teller a "racist." This is something Mr. La Force has done more than once. He even went so far as to use this technique on someone who had lost a great many of his family members in the Holocaust.

Mr. La Force says he wants the Chamber to fire me. He may even get his wish — but I seriously doubt it. However, we're even. I think Mr. La Force — or more aptly, "Mr. La Force" — should be the one that's fired. This city does not need a person of his character shaping the future of El Cerrito.

Sewall Glinternick  
Manager, El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce



## Police Reports

### Albany police find suspected bank robber

By K. Osborn

ALBANY — At about 11:30 p.m. on Feb. 12 Albany officers investigated a white Honda Prelude, which appeared to be unoccupied, that was parked on the 900 block of San Pablo Avenue with flashing lights on. Officers found an adult inside who lied about his identification. He was found to be from San Francisco and to have a federal felony warrant for parole violations on bank robbery charges. The car was found to be reported as stolen. He was arrested, booked and held for the U.S. Marshall's office to pick up.

At about 2:30 a.m. on Feb. 16 a resident on the 800 block of Madison Street reported that someone was knocking on a rear window of his house and he requested that officers investigate. Officers found a 20-year-old Oakland man who was very intoxicated and looking for a place to sleep. He was arrested for trespassing and being intoxicated in public and was cited, to be released when sober.

At about 8 p.m. on Feb. 11 a woman reported that her purse had been stolen while she was at a business on the 1100 block of Solano Avenue. She described the thief as a white male adult, six feet tall, wearing a hat, dark green jacket and light green pants. He was last seen going north on Kains Avenue.

On the morning of Feb. 12 the manager of a business on the 400 block of San Pablo Avenue reported that during the night vandals had knocked off the sprinkler heads on his property. There were no witnesses.

At about 12:30 p.m. on Feb. 12 the manager of a restaurant on

the 800 block of San Pablo Avenue reported observing a man breaking into the van belonging to the restaurant. He was last seen running south on San Pablo Avenue and was gone when officers arrived.

On the evening of Feb. 12 Albany officers responded to a report of four juveniles breaking lights inside the complex on the 500 block of Pierce. They were gone when officers arrived.

At about 9:30 p.m. on Feb. 12 a resident on the 600 block of Santa Fe Avenue reported vandals had damaged the driver's side door lock of his blue Toyota van between 5 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. There were no witnesses.

At about 11:30 p.m. on Feb. 12 Albany officers contacted a transient man from Berkeley on the 1300 block of Solano Avenue. He was found to have hypodermic syringes. He was arrested for obstructing police, trespassing and possession of hypodermic needles and syringes. He was cited and released.

On the afternoon of Feb. 13 a resident on the 1000 block of Ventura Avenue reported that tools had been stolen from his truck which was unlocked. There were no witnesses.

At about 6:30 p.m. on Feb. 14 Albany officers stopped a gold 1981 Cadillac El Dorado for reckless driving on Solano Avenue. The driver, a Berkeley man, was found to be intoxicated. He was arrested and cited, to be released when sober.

At about 6:50 p.m. on Feb. 14 Albany officers responded to reports of two juveniles, described as white males, wearing jackets with hoods and some type of masks, who jumped out at two older women and scared them. It

is unknown if the youth attempting to rob the woman trying to frighten them. The incident occurred outside at the 800 block of San Pablo Avenue. The boys were gone when officers arrived.

On the afternoon of Feb. 13 Albany officers stopped a Honda on Cleveland Avenue vehicle code violation. The driver, a Berkeley man, was found driving without a driver's license. He was arrested, cited and released.

On the morning of Feb. 13 Albany officers contacted a man who was sleeping in the play yard at Marin School. He was found to be from Oakland and very intoxicated. He was arrested and cited, to be released when sober.

On the morning of Feb. 13 a resident on the 1000 block of Cornell Avenue and a resident on the 1200 block of Marin Avenue each reported that vandals tried to break into their cars during the night. There were no witnesses.

On the afternoon of Feb. 13 a resident on the 400 block of Stannage Avenue reported that someone had hit his Chrysler while it was parked the street in front of his house. There were no witnesses.

During the week of Feb. 13 Albany officers fingerprinted people at their request, towed cars, responded to 17 false alarms, intervened in 26 domestic disputes, attended to 10 lost or ceased dogs, assisted 12 people who were locked out of their car or responded to reports of barking dogs. Albany firefighters/paramedics responded to seven reports of fire and medical emergencies.

### Richmond man arrested for armed robbery

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — An arrest was made for armed robbery at Burger King. A Richmond man is accused of demanding money from several employees at gunpoint at about 10:01 p.m. Feb. 13.

A Richmond man was arrested for indecent exposure on the BART pathway at about 4:05 p.m. Feb. 8.

There were six arrests made for driving under the influence: a San Pablo man at Huber and Peerless (Jan. 30, 4:21 p.m.); a Berkeley man on San Pablo Avenue, south of Barrett (Feb. 8, 1:35 a.m.); a Napa woman at San Pablo and Columbia (Feb. 8, 4:20 a.m.); a Richmond man at Richmond and Manila (Feb. 9, 2 a.m.); a Richmond man at Key and Knott (Feb. 9, 3:50 a.m.); and a San Leandro man at San Pablo and Manila (Feb. 9, 6 a.m.). In the latter incident, a Burlingame man was also arrested.

An unlocked bicycle was taken from the front driveway of a residence in the 1500 block of Elm Street between 12:30 p.m. and 1:50 p.m. Feb. 12.

Two auto burglaries were reported. Someone forced the key-

way and pried the door handle of a vehicle parked in the 1100 block of Navellier but probably fled after the alarm sounded. The incident occurred on the morning of Feb. 10.

Tools were reported stolen from a van parked in the 6500 block of Potrero Feb. 7 or 8; a window was pried for entry.

Mail was reported stolen from a mailbox at Stockton and Norvell Jan. 6. A box of checks was reported stolen in the 11700 block of San Pablo Avenue sometime between Jan. 1 and 17; it may have been taken from a mailbox.

A residence was vandalized in the 1700 block of Manor Circle. Someone threw a rock through a window during the early morning hours of Feb. 9.

A vehicle windshield was reported smashed with a rock in the 6200 block of Irma Street during the daytime Feb. 10.

A Vallejo woman was arrested

for being drunk and disorderly in public in the 6800 block of Columbia Feb. 8.

Two domestic incidents were reported.

Four arrests were made for shoplifting. A Hayward man accused of entering and leaving Safeway several times with merchandise totalling over \$600.

Three juveniles (two from El Cerrito males) were arrested at Safeway at 11:03 p.m. Feb. 7. They were also accused of being intoxicated in public.

A \$100 counterfeit bill passed at Lucky, El Cerrito Feb. 7.

El Cerrito officers arrested the Albany P.D. in the arrest several juveniles accused of vandalism and possession of a gun following a disturbance reported in Albany. The arrest was made on San Pablo between Fairmont and Eureka at 2:20 Feb. 9.

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## Council meeting to plan city vision

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — The El Cerrito City Council/Redevelopment Agency will meet in two sessions this weekend to plan out its vision for the next several years. The long-range planning session has become a tradition for the council; the goals set become a framework for future decisions to be made.

"Basically, they get together and we ask them to refresh their vision of the city," said City Manager Gary Pokorny. "We ask, 'What do you expect the city to look like in the year 2002? What priorities are you going to set in the next 12 to 18 months if we're going to get there from here?'"

Pokorny said council members may even look at a larger context, say to the year 2005, but that, at any rate, there's an immediately practical dimension to their task.

"This is actually the first step of our budget planning process," he said. "They'll be looking at their vision for the future and asking, 'What do we have to do to get there in the next couple of years?'"

The goal-setting session happens to fall at a time when major issues are shifting in the commu-

nity. While future development at El Cerrito Plaza "is obviously going to take a lot of work and occupy a lot of energy," for years to come, said Pokorny the decision as to the project's development team has taken some of the urgency away from that issue.

"We've still got a city to run," he said. "What about city issues — the budget, the level of reserves, fire, police and recreational services, childcare? These are all things we have to work on."

"I think timing-wise, it's worked out well; the Agency board has spent a lot of energy on the Plaza for the last four to six months. The community has been spending a lot of time on it, too...."

"Now it's time to see what we're doing as a city."

The Agency board may also be reorganized at the end of the weekend session. Norma Jellison will remain as mayor of the El Cerrito City Council, however. As vice-mayor last year, Jellison would normally have become mayor of the present council during reorganization in December. She took over the office early, however, when then-mayor Cathie Kosel moved away.

A new vice-mayor may also be chosen during the reorganization.

## Team spirit makes good first impression

Hard work and determination paid off for the women's junior varsity soccer team (above) at Albany High School. In its first year, the Cougar's recorded an undefeated season in league play. Anchored by a pair of goalies and a strong offense, the team conceded only three goals over the eight game schedule. In contrast, a striking offense tallied 36 goals. The team, with six first-time players, is composed of 10 freshmen, three sophomores and seven juniors. The team was coached by Julie Gall, who played on the Olympic Development Team for the Southern Section of California. "We had a wide range of skill levels on this team," Gall said, "and I was happy to see knowledge about the game of soccer being passed from the more experienced players to those who had little or no experience. Soccer is a great team sport and being a team is what it's all about."

### Newsline

#### Senior Day planned Albany Library

ALBANY — Come to the Albany Library for our February Senior Day on Thursday, Feb. 27 at 2 p.m. for the award-winning Death Valley: Life Against

and. Death Valley is indeed a place of mystery — with its sculpted canyons, towering mountains, wind-swept dunes and sparkling fountains. From spring wildflowers to snowstorms, you'll see the most striking features of Death Valley at the peak photographic

the library is located at 1247 Ave. For information call Li-Senior Services at 745-1499.

#### Author to speak

KENSINGTON — Jan Zobel, author of *Minding Her Own Business: the Self-Employed Woman's Guide to Taxes and Recordkeeping* talks about how self-employed people are taxed and what expenses can be deducted.

She'll also answer audience questions, and sign copies of her book at Boadecia's Books, 398 Colusa Ave., Kensington, on Friday, Feb. 21 at 7:30 p.m. There is no charge. For more information, call 559-0184.

#### Supervisor to speak

EL CERRITO — The Kensington Area Republican

Women's Club will have their monthly meeting at the Mira Vista Country Club on Feb. 26.

Luncheon is served at 12:30 p.m. and social hour is 12 p.m.

Reservations may be made by sending a check for \$10 per person to KARW to Dorothy Champion, 2687 Tamalpais Ave., El Cerrito, 94530; 237-4152.

Mark DeSaulnier, supervisor of Contra Costa, will be speaking about proposed Contra Costa status as a Charter County.

#### EC Youth Baseball opening day festivities

EL CERRITO — El Cerrito Youth Baseball is currently planning their opening day parade, barbecue and festivities. A rock and roll band will perform and collector cars will be displayed.

Local dignitaries are invited. Fans and families are encouraged to line the parade route (Ashbury

Avenue from El Cerrito High to Cerrito Vista Park), at 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 1.

ECYB is seeking donations from local merchants in the form of refreshments for the barbecue, including hot dogs, buns, drinks, paper goods, condiments, etc. Volunteer help with set-up and clean-up is also needed.

If you can donate something or would like to help out, please call Donna Houser at 234-2251 or Kevin Berndt at 525-0644.

#### Birth

##### Haley Nicole Nikcevic

Born Jan. 31, at 5:59 p.m. at Alta Bates Medical Center. The healthy baby girl weighed 7 lbs., 11 ounces at birth and the proud parents are Tim Alan and Heather Lorraine Nikcevic of El Cerrito.

## Woman arrested in stabbing incident

EL CERRITO — The El Cerrito Police Department was called to the 5300 block of Cypress Avenue Feb. 11 to respond to a stabbing incident. A 20-year-old Richmond man was found to be the victim. He was admitted to the John Muir Medical Center in Walnut Creek with numerous stab wounds. His condition was listed as good on admission; he has been released.

Resident Kimberly Smith, 31, was arrested for assault with a deadly weapon.

According to Detective Dennis Danielson, Smith and the victim were acquaintances and had been up all night. The victim had dozed off on Smith's couch while she continued to walk around the house.

"The next thing the victim knew

was that he was being stabbed in the back; he tried to get to his feet and was stabbed again in the shoulder area. He fell to the ground and was stabbed in the chest several times."

Smith is accused of the attack.

According to Danielson, the victim was able to grab the knife blade and break it off. He then ran to obtain help from family members a half-block away. A 13-year-old boy asleep upstairs at the time of the incident woke and is considered to be a witness to the attack.

"He fled out a second story window and called the police from a relative's house."

Smith was taken into custody without incident and was admitted to County Hospital for injuries she sustained during the attack.

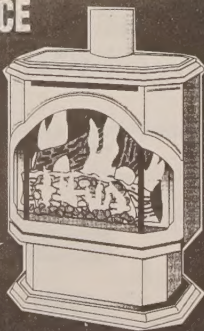
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# A cruise through the Straits of Magellan continued

The following is the second of two parts.

It was on a tour of Torres del Paine National Park, that we first encountered the wind that dominates the area. Such wind. At one point we had to eat our lunches in a brier patch because the other areas were so windy. It was on a later tour, as we left our bus to climb to a waterfall that we really encountered the wind. Gale winds? No, more than that. They had the intensity of hurricane winds. They made walking almost impossible. Some of our number were blown down, many of us huddled together to present a stronger front to the savage gusts. We knew that had the wind come from another direction, many of us would have been blown into the waterfall. It was frightening but, of course, became the most talked about thing on the ship. We did live through it.

Not all of the shore excursions were as beautiful and exciting as Torres del Paine, although the penguin rookery was a marvel. Walking through the reserve we saw penguin families nestling in burrows in the ground. Mamma and poppa watched us carefully as we stopped and shot photos of them and their gray downy little ones. And then, coming finally to shore, were hundreds of the little fellows visiting, swimming, walking, chatting and having a generally fine time looking for all the world as little people enjoying a day at the seashore.

The shore excursions were, we felt, overpriced, and there were other caveats but on the whole, they were most enjoyable.

Going through the Straits of Magellan was the high point. Just

the idea of going through these famous but little known straits was exciting. And, of course, there was the visit to the Tierra Del Fuego and the city of Ushuaia, the southernmost city in South America, just a hoot and a holler away from Antarctica itself.

Our voyage continued up the Eastern side of Patagonia and into the great city of Buenos Aires. Being in a really large city again, in a sophisticated city, felt very strange. Unfortunately, we had only one day there and spent it walking up the famous shopping area and touring the city of wide streets, many parks, and an almost incredible cemetery where each grave was topped by statuary, tombs, and memorials, one larger, more magnificent, and beautiful than the next so that they were overpowering.

But I have spoken little of the ship. Surely that had a great part in our enjoyment of this unusual cruise. As noted, it was fairly small but it had all of the amenities, including lounges (also used as lecture halls), bars, and dance floors.

The crew and service people of the *Odyssey* were warm, friendly, and unflappable. Not only were our cabins kept spotlessly clean, but the towels were changed at least twice a day.

There were two seatings in the dining room for dinner but for breakfast and lunch, there was the dining room and/or the deck (when weather permitted) or the nearby lounge where the buffet was served. There was also a midnight snack but somehow we never quite made that.

My friend and I were seated (during the first seating) at a table

for six and the first night we found our fellow travelers — Betty and Kathy from Detroit and Bill and Sam from Texas, who were traveling without their wives (and were not thrilled with the idea of Patagonia) seemed nice but a bit reserved. By the end of that week we were enjoying ourselves and each other so much that we almost had to be put out of the dining room so the waiters could ready it for the late seaters. Our conversations ranged throughout the ideas of man. We even threatened to get into politics and religion but resisted the temptation. Laughter was constant and discussions were passionate.

And with all of this, we ate well. Our waiter started by offering Bill, a tall, well-built man, extra helpings of food. And Sam was supplied with all of the salmon he could eat — something I soon copied and enjoyed throughout the trip. The food was delicious and the desserts much too good and too rich but we ate them anyway.

Somehow, and I can't quite remember how, my friend Jeanne and I met the dancers early on and became friendly with them. The fact that they led the aerobics increased our pleasure in these very attractive, talented young people. They also led the line dancing, dancing lessons, and did much of the work helping to get us all off the ship for expeditions and back on safely and happily.

The entertainers were a most attractive group. There were the dances, all from Briton, who did routines that were bright, smart, and happy. The dance team was from the U.S. and a young woman singer, also from England, was a

fine performer with a fine voice. A magician and his assistant were also delightful. The audience was made up of people who had traveled a great deal, who were often scientists and academics, and certainly more sophisticated than most. But our enjoyment of all of this entertainment was great.

The two groups who played for us in the two lounges were excellent. One was a Hungarian threesome, while the larger orchestra (of five) were Romanian. The only time I was really aware of that was then they played Pennsylvania 8-3000 was, well, different.

In addition to the regular evenings of entertainment, there were special evenings such as the talent show, which is a must on all cruises, and Greek Night. The *Odyssey* is a Greek ship and most of the crew were Greeks. On Greek Night everyone was encouraged to dress in something Greek or Greekish (the on-board boutique helped by offering Greek T-shirts and other items of clothing), the food was Greek, and the dancing was done by members of the crew together with the dancers, and was everything you think of when you think of Greek dancing. Even the captain, resplendent in his uniform, came up on the dance floor and joined in the fun.

Ladies Night was fun, too, and on the last night the entertainers and crew joined again to give us a jolly send-off.

And I shouldn't fail to mention the three "dance hosts" who were on board to dance with the ladies who needed partners. They were friendly men who loved to dance and loved to travel. I remember

## Community Folk

By Clara Rae Genser



doing a mean tango with Ted — or was it Ken? — and a great Viennese Waltz with the other. They joined us on the tours and enjoyed the people as much as we enjoyed them. And they were great dancers, which was a plus.

Ah, the boutique. Somehow Jeanne and I got into the habit of stopping by the boutique on our way out of the dining room and to our own cabin. The stock was amazingly varied and both attractive and attractively priced. We did much more shopping than we had planned to do. Well, we both needed an extra wrap, sort of in between our light ones and our very heavy ones and vests were such a fine answer. And those Greek T-shirts were really handsome.

Of course, we also shopped on shore, mostly for T-shirts, especially in Ushuaia. And post cards, which we mailed in Ushuaia and were hand stamped by a lady in the post office, still have not been received by any of the people I sent them to.

It is dangerous never to use money or anything but your signature on board. There does come a time when all is added up and the bill is presented (still without a signature because you gave that at the very beginning of the voyage). But it was all so much fun that the total doesn't really shock you until you get home and look at it closely.

There was more on board than Jeanne had massages but she enjoyed thoroughly. I have a problem with my ankles, so I went to the doctor, which was a good experience. He did know me, and the cream he put on my ankles did work.

There were arts and crafts where the passengers made glass cases and decorated them. This was run by Betty, the minister who gave the interdenominational service. There were lessons in both English and Spanish, which Jeanne took, and were able to say "you" in three languages. There were lectures, which I enjoyed thoroughly. Two scientists on board spoke of birds, of earthquakes, of continental plates, and of birds. Most interesting, one of the passengers had a great deal of knowledge. We had a great deal of discussion during the lectures.

And the bartenders did extra limes in my vodka. I have taken the other — not many since, for the part I find them less interesting than other tours — but I have never enjoyed another much as this except, perhaps, study cruise in which I participated. But this one where the tour was even more important than the cruise, thanks to a well-planned itinerary, was great.

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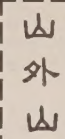
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attempts to organize parents and community on a district-wide basis. However, it seems that the time is right for a powerful new renaissance of organizing around issues affecting our schools.

Last November, for example, the community-driven campaign to pass Measure E met with an enthusiastic response by 68 percent of the voters, providing more evidence that West County will support its children and schools if given the opportunity.

In the short time that the Alliance has been operating, an impressive number of individuals and organizations have come forward to endorse the concept and assist with Alliance activities. Endorsing organizations span a broad spectrum of supporters of public education in West County and include: Bay Area Urban League, NAACP, League of Women Voters, Iron Triangle Community Collaborative, Public Employees Union Local 1, United Teachers of Richmond, Mechanics Bank, El Cerrito Democratic Club, Kensington Education Foundation, West County Public Education Fund, and many others.

On Saturday, March 1 the Alliance will reconvene to consider another issue of vital concern to our schools, "A Middle School for Richmond?" The forum will be at Wilson Elementary School in Richmond from 1 to 3 p.m. It is free and members of the public are welcome. The lack of a middle school in the city of Richmond creates significant hardship for students and their families who must travel long distances to attend school. District middle schools as a whole are



overcrowded and generally considered the weakest link in our school system. Districtwide, our school facilities are falling apart. The time is now to begin an ongoing community discussion around these issues, to generate solutions, and the community commitment to make the solutions reality. If we act as individuals and isolated communities the likelihood that we will solve these problems is very small. Working together, as neighbors — as an alliance, we can build an irresistible force for change. Like a child taking its first uncertain steps, the Alliance for Public Education is starting to walk the road of positive change for our schools. Join us on March 1 at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School to join the dialogue. Ask your PTA, Neighborhood Council, Union, Association, and community group to endorse and get involved in the Alliance. Let's put our hearts, minds, and hands together to make this change happen.

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## El Cerrito landmark business upgrading to an older building

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — At a time when it's not a complete surprise to see an old, established business closing its doors, long-time residents should be pleased to see one El Cerrito landmark upgrading, preparing itself for many more years in business.

El Cerrito Mill and Lumber isn't "modernizing," though. As a matter of fact, quips manager Jack Freethy, "we're turning a 75-year-old facility into a 125-year-old facility."

The lumber service and supply store is going Victorian, reflecting the current direction of its business and, Freethy believes, enhancing the aesthetics of San Pablo Avenue at the same time.

"Because our business does a lot of Victorian restoration, we decided to show off some of our wares," he said. "Updating our building is one of the ways we're doing that."

The new look will include more intricate trims and detailed dentil work, Victorian pediments on the doors and a classic exterior paint job. (Modern conveniences aren't ignored, however; automatic doors will help make the store more accessible.)

The building does make a perfect showcase for the store's wares. The shop is a distributor for Fuller O'Brien Paints; that's what's being used on the exterior. All the windows and doors for the project are being constructed in house; the store carries windows and doors, as well as lumber.

It's an effective business move, but Freethy sees the whole redesign as "something we'll be proud of and something we hope El Cerrito will be proud of."

The Freethy family has been involved in El Cerrito and the wider community for many years. The business was established in 1922; Jack's parents, Elmer and Marjorie Freethy, bought the com-

pany in 1944. At that time, there were two businesses. Modern Builders Supply was sold in 1962 to make room for the Lucky shopping center. Eventually, the family sold that property.

The Freethy company was responsible for longstanding projects all over the Bay Area, including "all the millwork" of the Mechanic's Bank headquarters building and the 14 Victorian homes restored in Oakland's Preservation Park.

Now, the company offers custom woodworking for commercial and residential clients and sells building materials to local contractors and the general public.

"We're also doing lots of Victorian restoration in San Francisco," Freethy said.

He attributes the longevity and continued expansion of the family business to the quality of the

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## Albany PTA Council News

By Belinda Lum

Thursday, Feb. 20

3:30 p.m. Main Library  
Marin School Site Council  
Topic: How to spend site grant monies

Thursday, Feb. 20

7 p.m., Cornell Library  
Cornell PTA  
Contact: Charlie Prins

Monday, Feb. 24

7 p.m. Cornell Staff Room  
Cornell School Site Council  
Topic: How to spend site grant monies

Contact: Charlie Blanchard, 525-8964

Tuesday, Feb. 25

7:30 p.m. Cornell Multi-use room  
Board of Education Meeting  
Topic: Agenda available at ASD office  
Monday, March 3

7:30 p.m., AMS Library  
PTA Council

Topic: AUD Complaint Policy Revision  
Contact: Kay Weinstein, 525-0363

Wednesday, March 5

7 p.m., Room 51  
AMS School Site Council  
Topic: Discussion of noon sports, counseling and spending of site grant monies

Contact: AMS, 559-6540  
Thursday, March 6

7 p.m. AHS Gym  
Superintendent Concert  
Event: Concert presented by students in AUD music programs

Monday, March 10

7:15 p.m., Cornell Multi-use Room  
Board of Education  
Topic: Agenda available at

AUSD office

Thursday, March 13,

7 p.m., AMS Library  
AMS PTA

Topic: Books for Middle Schoolers: presentation by Margaret Simpson

Contact: Helen Munch, 525-3694

Tuesday, March 18

7:30 p.m., Cornell Multi-use Room

Board of Education  
Topic: UCB seeking community input on the plan to revamp housing at the University Village and commercial development along San Pablo Ave.

If there is a school-related event you would like to add/correct here, please call Belinda Lum at 528-2429 or email: [Robert.Marshall@msn.com](mailto:Robert.Marshall@msn.com).

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# Local health official wants aggressive advertising campaign

**CONTRA COSTA COUNTY** — Local health officials are adding their voice to a growing chorus of concern about whether the California Department of Health Services is holding back a media campaign that would unmask tobacco industry advertising tactics.

Dr. Wendall Brunner, the Public Health Director for the Contra Costa County Health Services Department, says he is concerned that Proposition 99, the statewide tobacco prevention and education campaign led by voter-mandated cigarette tax, is being undermined by the California Department of Health Services.

At a meeting in Sacramento Monday, health professionals from across California accused the administration of not releasing hardhitting ads that tell the truth about how the tobacco industry hooks new smokers, especially youth, and expressed outrage at the department for keeping secret from a voter-mandated oversight committee its plans for upcoming ads.

"We need the statewide media campaign to support our local efforts," Brunner said. "The tobacco industry spends \$17 million a year in this county to promote and market its prod-

ucts. Our local Tobacco Prevention Project has less than three percent of that to spend on its entire program. It's a situation of David and Goliath. We need the state media program to create a more level playing field."

Brunner said research shows smoking declines markedly when the ad campaign is aggressive, but levels off when the campaign ebbs.

He has sent a letter to the chair of the Tobacco Education and Research Oversight Committee (TEROC), which was set up to oversee Prop. 99 activities, congratulating them for advocating an effective media campaign and an open planning process. His letter states "it is clearly time for the veil of secrecy to be raised."

"The TERO is supposed to watch over Prop 99-funded activities. They are a watchdog for the voters, but they won't be effective if politicians undermine their efforts by conducting business in secret and removing experienced and knowledgeable members from the panel," Brunner said.

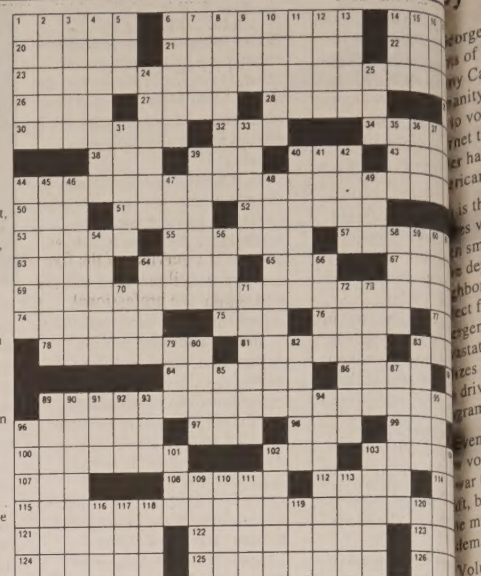
As one of his last acts as Assembly Speaker, Curt Pringle, who is on record opposing ad campaigns that criticize the tobacco industry, removed three respected TERO members.

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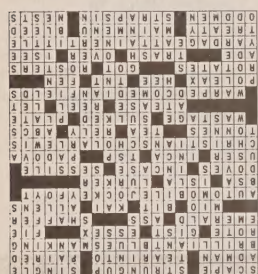
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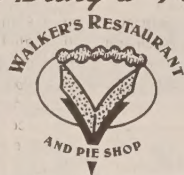


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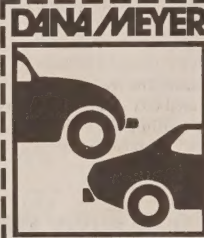
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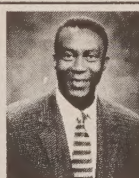
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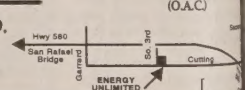
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## Volunteerism a city life

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on, there are task forces dedicated ar and often limited s the Youth Task e Fiscal Task Force. ore than 60

## From the Mayor's Desk

By Albany Mayor Robert Good



volunteers who fill the positions on the various commissions and committees. These individuals make the city work in combination with the almost voluntary services of the five City Council members (\$5 per meeting) the professional full-time employee staff of 90, and the countless other individuals who volunteer at the Senior Center, with the City's youth and complete community service projects (creek cleanups, graffiti removal and garbage pickup).

Volunteerism is no cure-all, however. It must be employed in moderation in order to not create any upheavals in the work force. For example, the community could staff the library with volunteers to a far greater extent than we do now, but it would be at the expense of throwing family bread winners and union members out of work and losing the expertise of a professional staff. This clearly is not an acceptable use of volunteers no matter how much money could thus be saved.

It is not always easy to fill volunteer positions. Sometimes there are many applicants for particular commission, whereas at other times there is a need to do some recruiting. In many cases it is the same enthusiastic citizens who come forward to volunteer. The recently appointed city council members are now filling vacancies on many of the boards and

commissions.

If you are interested in voluntary public service, inquire at City Hall for an application for a board or commission.

People serving on advisory boards bring invaluable experience and expertise to the public process. They provide the community with citizen representation at all levels. Volunteers are not financially compensated for their time and expertise in the service to the city.

The city does express its appreciation with an occasional luncheon, Albany coffee mugs and city pins. The question sometimes arises, should we be doing more for these public-spirited citizens? We cannot really compensate them adequately, but we could consider what has heretofore been unthinkable: We could give them an "honorarium" of \$20 per meeting. At that point they would be not quite volunteers and yet it's not quite adequate compensation either. We have doctors and lawyers on these boards for whom \$20 wouldn't buy 15 minutes of their professional time, yet many choose to contribute to our community by volunteering their time and services.

Ultimately the true compensation for volunteers comes in the service itself. Volunteers become participants rather than onlookers. When you volunteer, the ultimate beneficiary is — yourself.

## Free tax preparation for seniors offered

WEST COUNTY — A volunteer tax preparation program for taxpayers over 60 with low-to-moderate income is underway at over 40 sites throughout Contra Costa County.

The service is provided without charge by approximately 100 volunteers for the American As-

sociation of Retired Persons, (AARP), which sponsors the program in conjunction with the Internal Revenue Service and Franchise Tax Board.

The program, now in its 28th year, includes preparation of both federal and state taxes. It will

continue until the tax deadline on April 15.

All volunteers have received intensive tax-preparation training in this program supported by the IRS and FTB.

For the tax preparation site call the Office on Aging 374-3943.

## Welfare reform is topic of ECDC meeting

EL CERRITO — "Welfare Reform and Action Agenda" is the title of a talk given by Professor Paul Terrell, Assistant Dean of the School of Social Welfare at UC Berkeley on Tuesday, Feb. 25, at 7:30 p.m. at the Northminster Presbyterian

Church, 545 Ashbury Ave., El Cerrito, across from El Cerrito High. The public is invited.

Professor Terrell has been involved in teaching and research in Social Policy, Organization and Finance for 30 years and is the co-author of one of the standard texts

in the field, "Dimensions of Social Welfare Policy," now in its 4th edition.

For more details contact Rolf M. Weber at (510) 524-8142, or comment via fax, (510) 527-6212 or e-mail to rweber 1016@aol.com.

## Friends of the Albany Library

## Book Sales add to library shelves

Thanks to the proceeds generated by our Book Sales, the Friends have been able to add many new items to the Library shelves.

History buffs will enjoy *American Sphinx: The Character of Thomas Jefferson* (J.J. Ellis), shrewdly psychological but down-to-earth biography of our radical, Francophile, intensely romantic third president; *History of Money* (J.M. Weatherford), cultural anthropologist studies the permutations of lucre and its effects on humans from Lydia 3,000 years ago to the present, while drawing on such thinkers as Voltaire, Gertrude Stein, and L. Frank Baum; *Immigration* (L.E. Purcell), history of immigration issues in America from 1607 through 1994—personal, social, political, legal, cultural; *Race: An Anthology in the First Person* (B. Schneider), 20 first-person reminiscences and essays by a variety of contemporary authors.

Some books for men and

women and for relief of the stress that relationships can at times lead to: *Mental Wellness for Women* (R. Baron-Faust), vol. 3 in NUY Medical Center series of comprehensive handbooks for women discusses latest treatments and gives practical advice for keeping well; *Men on Divorce: The Other Side of the Story* (P. Kaganoff & S. Spano), 15 entertaining and illuminating essays collected by authors of *Women on Divorce*; *Stress: 63 Ways to Relieve Tension and Stay Healthy* (C.B. Inlander & C.K. Moran), thorough, no-nonsense consumer medical book; *Dr. Richard Marr's Fertility Book: America's Leading Fertility Expert Tells You Everything You Need to Know about Getting Pregnant* (R.P. Marrs & L.F. Bloch), encyclopedic but non-technical, includes personal stories, glossaries, possible future technologies; *Classic American Foods Without Fuss: Over 100 Favorite Recipes* (F.M. McCullough & B. Witt), witty, best tasting recipes for com-

fort foods—mashed potatoes, hamburgers, moussaka, potpie, chile con carne, osso buco, etc.

For word and language lovers there are: *Writer's Journal: 40 Contemporary American Writers and Their Journal* (S. Bender), entertaining collection, particularly useful for working writers; *Ecstatic Occasions, Expedient Forms: 85 Leading Contemporary Poets Select and Comment on Their Poems, 2nd edition* (D. Lehman), "a chance to eavesdrop on poets talking shop," this anthology adds 20 poems and commentary to the first edition; *Language of Names* (J. Kaplan & A. Bernays), a fascinating journey through modern American onomastics, with side trips to the law, psychology, the Hollywood name game, etiquette, naming in the black community, etc.

And finally, for Valentine's Day: *Love Poems* (N. Giovanni), African-American poet's new "bold, romantic, erotic" collection.

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chicken, duck, beef, rk, seafood, vegetables, in and fried rice are the dishes with each dish a variety of prepara-

tion choices. Such items as smoked tea duck, Peking duck (ordered in advance) or seafood dishes like hot braised whole fish or dry sauteed squid are just a gesture of the samplings of a menu that highlights over 130 dishes. Prices range from a small soup at \$3.95 to an average of \$4.25 to \$9.95 on most items.

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## Goings On About Town

### Classes

Feb. 20

An Introduction to Stained Glass: 7-9:30 pm; every Thurs. through Mar. 20; Stained Glass Garden, 1800 Fourth St., Berkeley; \$40 deposit reserves space; 841-2200

Feb. 22

An Introduction to the Enneagram: 9 am-1 pm; led by Rich Byrne; Durant House; \$30; 549-3690

Advanced Photoshop: 10 am-5 pm; two-day workshop, Feb. 22-23; KALA Art Institute, 1060 Heinz, Berkeley; Karen Pierce; \$197; 549-2977

Introduction to Woodblock: 10 am-5 pm; two-day workshop, Feb. 22-23; KALA Art Institute, 1060 Heinz, Berkeley; Tomoka Murakami; \$220; 549-2977

Tamale Making Class (featuring children): 11:30 am; Community Services Series, Unity Church of Richmond, 351 28th St., Richmond; Josie, 233-5251; Dakota, 235-0336

Feb. 23

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Ongoing

Dance Dynamics: Tues. and Wed. afternoons; Finnish Hall, 1819 10th St., Berkeley, CA; Rhythm, Movement & Dance Training: 5th-8th grade; 339-7175

UC Distance Learning Course in Creative Writing: UC Extension course, Popular Forms of Fiction: A Writing Workshop; students interact with instructors via e-mail or regular mail; enrollment ongoing; UC Berkeley Extension; 642-4124

Berkeley Community Media: beginning video and studio production for Berkeley residents; Rick Sylvain; 848-2288

### Community Events

Feb. 20

Osteoporosis Prevention: 1 pm; RN Lourdes Rose; N. Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hears/MLK Jr. Way, Berkeley; 644-6107

Feb. 21

Solano Avenue Association Annual Meeting: 12-1:30 pm; Cugini Restaurant, 1556, Solano Ave., Albany; \$12 in advance/\$15 at door; 527-5358

Fairness or Bias?: 3-5:30 pm; Symposium on racial and ethnic composition and attitudes of the Judiciary; Wurster Hall Auditorium, Rm 11, next to Boalt Hall School of Law, UC Berkeley; Asian Law Journal, 643-9643

Tribute to Outgoing UC Berkeley Chancellor: 8 pm; Chancellor Chang Lin-Tien; Zellerbach Auditorium, UC Berkeley Campus; free but tickets required; 642-7026

"We Are the World" 1997 Global Awards: Last day to buy tickets for Feb. 28 event; 451-2846

What to Do About Colds and Flu: Dr. Roxanne Fiscella; Alta Bates Medical Associates Building, Conf. Room, 2850 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley; 450-1500

Feb. 22

Black History Celebration: 12-3 pm; People's Park; music, drumming, storytelling, arts/crafts; 644-7729

Salute to Alice Hamburg—50 Years on the Frontlines: 6:30 pm; Spenger's Fish Grotto, 1919 4th St., Berkeley; \$30; 525-4235 for reservations

Demolishing Welfare Doesn't End

Poverty: a panel discussion on the future of welfare in Alameda County; 1 pm; La Peña Cultural Center, main meeting room, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 452-6265

Berkeley-East Bay Humane Society Rummage Sale: every 1st and 3rd Sat. of the month; 2700 Ninth St. at Carleton, Berkeley; 845-7735 for info or to volunteer

Feb. 23

"Let Us Build" Founders Recognition Event: 3-5 pm; Berkeley Jewish Richmond Community Center, 1414 Walnut St., Berkeley; 848-0237

Berkeley City Club Architectural Tour: noon-4 pm; Julia Morgan Architectural Landmark, 2315 Dyrant Ave., Berkeley; \$2, children under 12 free; 848-7800

Mini-Hike, Tilden Park: 9:30 am-4:30 pm; leader, Elizabeth Deane; 4-5 miles; 848-6737

Ambles Hike: 1-2 miles; Mary O'Leary; 284-9216

Feb. 25

Blood Pressure Measures: 9 am-12 pm; retired RN Alice Meyers; N. Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hears/MLK Jr. Way, Berkeley; 644-6107

Feb. 26

"Wildflowers of the Tahoe Basin": 7:30 pm; California Native Plant Society; Conference Center of the UC Botanical Garden on Centennial Dr., Berkeley; Ann Dennis; 525-6136

League of Women Voters Executive Committee Meeting: 9:30 am; 913 Taylor St., Albany; 524-7960

League of Women Voters Vote-By-Mail Study: 7:30 pm; 1521 Lincoln St., Berkeley; 845-0974

Feb. 27

Young Artists Awards for Strings: \$1,000 High School prize; \$1,500 Young Artist Prize; application postmarked by Mar. 24; resident of a Bay Area county; \$25 fee to Berkeley Piano Club; Ruth Hardin; 2822 Hillegass Ave.; Berkeley; 848-0598

Ongoing

Volunteers needed for the Berkeley Free Folk Festival: scheduled for May 17-18; especially needed: artist for publicity; call Jessica at 843-3810

Exhibits

Feb. 21

Walls with Art: 7-9 pm; mixed media; The Gallery Alafi, 1307 Solano Ave., Albany; 524-0291

Feb. 22

The Art of Living Black (Richmond): 11 am-5 pm; Feb. 22-23; The Richmond Art Center Open Studios; 620-6772

The Art of Living Black (Berkeley): 11 am-5 pm; Feb. 22-23; The Art of Living Center, 2905 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 620-6772

Feb. 25

Spectrum—Woodblock through Microchip: opens today; Tues.-Sun. 1-5 pm; Berkeley Store Gallery, 2295 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; through Mar. 29; 665-9496

Ongoing

A Gentle Plea for Chaos: opening and reception; 2-5 p.m.; Werner Hising; Cecile Mouchnek Gallery 1809D Fourth St. (upstairs), Berkeley; through Mar. 30; 549-1018

Big Tools and the Women Who Use Them: 12-5 p.m. Wed.-Sun.; Katherine Aoki; The Berkeley Art Center, 1275 Walnut St. in Live Oak Park; reception on Feb. 23, 2-4 p.m.; free; through Mar. 29; 644-6893

Fire House Gallery: Wed.-Sat. 11 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sun. noon-5 p.m.; Five Artists - Five Directions in Polymer Clay, Top; Pier Voulkos, Martha Breen, Ruth

Anne Grove, Michael Grove, Jamey D. Allen; 2911 Claremont Ave., Berkeley; 849-4967

Campus Series: 7 am-7 pm; Espresso Roma Cafe Gallery, 1549 Hopkins St., Berkeley; through Apr. 3; 528-8010

Berkeley Art Museum: 2626 Bancroft Way; "The Mask of Venice: Masking, Theater and Identity in the Art of Tiepolo and His Time," through Mar. 2; "Masterworks of Greek and Roman Art from the Phoebe Hearst Museum," through Apr. 20; "Garrett Eckbo: The Art of the Social Landscape MATRIX," through Mar. 9; Hiroshi Sugimoto—photographs, through Apr. 6; 642-0808 for 24-hour info

"Forging an Identity: The Art of the Yemite Silversmith": Judah L. Magnes Museum, 2911 Russell St., through Apr.; 549-6950

"Liquid Gold-California's Water," presented by Water Resources Center at Bernice Layne Brown Gallery, Doe Library, UC Berkeley; through Mar. 30; 642-2666

"My Family's Routes and Roots": Berkeley Richmond Jewish Community Center, 1414 Walnut St.; through Apr.; 549-6950

Quilts by Nancy Pagani: Foyer Gallery of the Albany Community Center, 1249 Marin Ave.; through Mar. 9

Quilts by the Off Killers: New Pieces Fabric, 1597 Solano Ave.; through Mar. 4; 527-6779

Richmond Art Center: 2540 Barrett Ave., Civic Center Plaza; "Beyond Boundaries: The North American Printmaking Exhibition," sculpture by Diana Pumpelly Bates; "The Art of Living Black," Bay Area Artists' Open Studios Exhibition; through Mar. 22; 620-6772

Sacred Mandalas: The Art and Books of Tibet, Dharma Publishing Art Gallery, 2910 San Pablo Ave.; through Apr. 26; 548-5407

Sebastian Mendes, Palimpsest: an interactive acoustic intaglio machine; Kala Art Institute, 1060 Heinz Ave. through Feb. 22; 549-2977

Tattoo Ephemera: The Tattoo Archive, 2804 San Pablo Ave.; through Apr.; 548-5895

Lectures/Workshops

Feb. 20

Working with People—Where? Who? How?: 1:30-2:30 pm; Turning Point Career Center, YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way, Berkeley; members free/\$3 non-members; 848-6370

"Today's Media—What's in Foreign Policy": 10 am-noon; Berkeley City Club, 2315 Durant Ave., Berkeley; Ben Bagdikian, Professor Emeritus, Graduate School of Journalism, UC Berkeley; for ticket cost and info, call 549-0918

Career Center Support Group: 4-5 pm; Turning Point Career Center, YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way, Berkeley; \$5 members/\$10 non-members; 848-6370

Desert Hiking in California and Nevada: 7 pm; Steve Tabor; REI (Berkeley), 1338 San Pablo Ave.; 527-4140

China, pt. 2: 11 am; Jackie Hetman; Kensington 55+ Activity Center, Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave., Kensington; 526-9146

Feb. 21

The Pacific Legal Foundation at Work: noon luncheon; Mark Gallagher; City Commons Club, 2315 Durant Ave., Berkeley; 848-3533 or 845-4725

Open Heart, Conscious Mind—A Guide to Couples Conflict Resolution: noon-1:30 pm; Andrew Michaels, PhD; Center for Psychological Studies, 13948 Solano Ave., Albany; 524-0291

Feb. 22

"Destination Studies—Southeast Asia": 8:30 am-5:30 pm; Vista Community College, 2020 Milvia St. between University and Addison, Rm. 203, Berkeley; 841-8860 x213

Creating the Life You Want: for women; 9 am-4:30 pm; \$75 (includes workbook); 527-6189 (Judy) to sign up

Feb. 23

Acupuncture and Aging: 4 pm; Chaparral House, 1309 Allston Way, Berkeley; Jim Douglas, licensed acupuncturist; 848-8774

San Francisco Bay Area Jewish Genealogical Society Meeting: 12:30 pm; speaker, Sue Morris; Congregation Beth-El library, 2301 Vine St., Berkeley; 415/921-6761

Learn the Art of Magic: 11 am-noon; The Buddy Club; Albany Community Center, 1249 Marin Ave. near San Pablo Ave., Albany; Magician Jay Alexander and Olaf the Crown Prince of Switzerland; \$6/under 2 free; 652-SHOW

Tibetan Buddhism—Taking the Dharma to Work: 6-7 pm; Ralph McFall; Nyingma Institute, 1815 Highland Place, Berkeley; free; 843-6812

Feb. 24

Betts Vidal—Doll Maker: 7:30 pm; What Sets One Doll Apart From Another: First Unitarian Church, 11 Lawson Rd.-Mooser Lane at Arlington, Kensington; members free/non-members \$3; 524-3760

Feb. 25

Senior Travel Opportunities: 1 pm; National Association of Retired Federal Employees; Albany United Methodist Church, 980 Stannage Ave., Albany; Sirkka Ramsey

A Career as a Technical Writer: noon-1 pm; Alice Gallegher, Synergestech Comm., guest speaker; Turning Point Career Center, YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way, Berkeley; members free/\$3 non-members; 848-6370

Feb. 26

Comet Hale-Bopp, the Public and the Future: 7:30 pm; lecturer, Dr. Alan Hale; Lawrence Hall of Science, UC Berkeley

Rotary Club: Dog Search and Rescue Team, Dr. Ben Ho-Woo; Rotary Club of Berkeley, 1836 University Ave., Berkeley; 841-2319

Ongoing

East Bay Small Business Development Center: four Saturday business planning and strategy workshops on UC Berkeley campus; Mar. 1, 22, Apr. 19, May 17; \$19.50 fee; register prior to Mar. 1; 893-4114 or 841-8860 x267

Literary Events/Readings

Feb. 20

"Journey From Anxiety to Freedom": 7:30 pm; Mani Feniger, author; wine and cheese book release party; Gaia Bookstore and Community Center, 1400 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 848-GAIA

Margaret Thaler Singer and Janja Lalich: 7:30 pm; Crazy Therapies; alternative practices and philosophies in psychotherapy; Black Oak Books, 1491 Shattuck Ave. at Vine, Berkeley; 486-0698

Feb. 21

Book Discussion: 1:15 pm; Muriel Singer, N. Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hears/MLK Jr. Way, Berkeley; 644-6107

"Calling the Midwest Home": 7:30 pm; author, Carolyn Lieberg; Gaia Bookstore and Community Center, 1400 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 848-GAIA

Small Business Taxes: 7:30 pm; Jan Zoebel, author; Boadecia's Books, 3948 Colusa Ave., Kensington; free; 559-0184

Feb. 22

Mysteries: 6 pm; Terris McMahon Grimes, Blood Will Tell, and Gar Anthony Haywood, Not a Pretty Sight; M.C. Newburn/Books, 950 San Pablo Ave., Albany; 524-1370

"Faery Wicca Book: Shamanic Practices of the Cunning Art": 2 pm; author, Kisma Staneich; Gaia Bookstore and Community Center, 1400 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 848-GAIA

Feb. 23

"Deadtime Stories": 11 am-noon; funny, horror book series for kids; author, A.G. Cascone; Barnes & Noble, 2351 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 644-0861

Feb. 24

Kalveala Day Program: 2 pm; lecture, readings, music, song, drama, art; Finnish Brotherhood Hall, 1970 Chestnut St., Berkeley; \$5; 849-0125

Judith Linzer: 7:30 pm; Torah and Dharma: Jewish Seekers in Eastern Religion; Black Oak Books, 1491 Shattuck Ave. at Vine, Berkeley; 486-0698

David Helvarg: 7 pm; author, The War Against the Greens; Ecology Center Bookstore, 2530 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley; free; 548-3333

Feb. 25

Teen Book Club: 4:30-5:30 pm; Aliona Gibson, author of Nappy: Growing Up Black and Female in America; Berkeley Central Library, 2090 Kittredge, Berkeley; 644-6100

"That's Funny You Don't Look Buddhist": 7:30 pm; author, Sylvia Boorstein; Gaia Bookstore and Community Center, 1400 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 848-GAIA

Feb. 26

"Death of the Patriarch": 7:30 pm; poetry play with music performed by Diorthosis; Berkeley Art Center, 1275 Walnut, Berkeley; \$5 donation; 525-7113

Poetry at Cody's: 7:30 pm; Gail Ford and Larry Beresford; \$2; 2454 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 845-7852

Marilyn Yalom: 7:30 pm; A History of the Breast: how the breast has been perceived in the West from antiquity to present; Black Oak Books, 1491 Shattuck Ave. at Vine, Berkeley; 486-0698

Feb. 26

"Girlfriends and the Girlfriends Keepsake Book": 7:30 pm; authors, Carmen Renee Barry & Tamara Traeder; Gaia Bookstore and Community Center, 1400 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 848-GAIA

Donald Antrim: 7:30 pm; The Hundred Brothers; Black Oak Books, 1491 Shattuck Ave. at Vine, Berkeley; 486-0698

Tax Deductions for Self-Employed People: 7:30 pm; Jan Zoebel, author; Border's Books and Music, 5800 Shellmound St., Emeryville; free; 654-0477

Music

Feb. 20

Baaba Maal and his 12-piece band: 8 pm; Senegalese griot master; Zellerbach Hall, UC Berkeley campus at Bancroft Way and Telegraph Ave., Berkeley; \$14/\$20/\$26; 642-9988

Ebola Soup: 9:30 pm; \$3; The Starry Plough, 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 841-2082

Joh Renbourne; Archie Fisher: 8 pm; Freight & Salvage, 1111 Addison St., Berkeley; \$13.50/\$14.50; 548-1761

Jazz Funk Connection w/ Cilfactor & Jalopy Jazz/Funk: 9:30 pm; Blake's, 2367 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley; \$3; 848-0886

Gene Harris Quartet: soul-jazz pianist; Yoshi's, 6030 Claremont Ave., Oakland; through Feb. 23; \$15 (Wed., Thur.) \$18 (Sat., Sun.); 652-9200

The University Chamber Chorus: 7

pm; the "Gloria" by Vivaldi; University art Museum; Archive, 2626 Bancroft Way; \$6 general admission; 642-0861

Feb. 21

Manny Oquendo & Libre: 8:30 pm and 11 pm; rooted in Afro-Cuban and Latin American folk, salsa and Latin Jazz; Cultural Center, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; \$16; 849-2568

Train; and, Pneuma (C) Party; 9:45 pm; \$6; The Star, 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 848-0886

Niamh Parsons & The connections: 8:30 pm; Freight & Salvage, 1111 Addison St., Berkeley; \$11.50; 548-1761

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UC Berkeley Dept. of Performance: 8 pm; SIRS (UC) ego; Myths, Technology, Hall, UC Berkeley campus, Berkeley; 848-0886

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Midnight Taxi: Brennan and University, Berkeley; 848-0886

Junk: 9 pm; Jupiter, 2111 Ave., Berkeley; no cover; TAPS

Feb. 22

San Francisco Early Music: 8 pm; The Beowulf Saga, Bagby, voice and lyre, Bagby, John's Presbyterian Church, Berkeley; \$20 seniors and SFEMS members; at door w/ID; 528-1723

Shango Mantra: 9:30 pm; funk, rock, salsa; \$7; La Peña Center, 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 848-0886

The Unreal Band; and, Band: 9:45 pm; \$5; The Star, 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; 848-0886

The Baguette Quartet: Lavault: 8:30 pm; Freight & Salvage, 1111 Addison St., Berkeley; \$15; 548-1761

Liar w/ Stroke: 9:30 pm; Blake's, 2367 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley; \$5; 848-0886

Gene Harris Quartet: soul-jazz pianist; Yoshi's, 6030 Claremont Ave., Oakland; through Feb. 23; \$15 (Wed., Thur.) \$18 (Sat., Sun.); 652-9200

Inside Sound: 8 pm; from player and composer, Richard Trinity Chamber Concerts, 2367 Way, Berkeley; \$10 general/\$15 seniors, handicapped; 549-3886

Kem Kanikapia & Friends: Templebar, 9484 University Ave., Berkeley; 548-9888

Downtown Rhythm: Brennan and University, Berkeley; 841-0960

Marshall Arts: 9 pm; Jupiter Shattuck Ave., Berkeley; no cover; THE TAPS

Feb. 23

New China Trio: piano, violin; cello; Yoshi's, 6030 Claremont Ave., Oakland; through Feb. 23; \$15 (Wed., Thur.) \$18 (Sat., Sun.); 652-9200

Pacific Arts Trio: every Sun. 4 pm; Angela Koregelos; Debussy nata for flute; The Berkeley Art Center (in Live Oak Park), 1275 Walnut, Berkeley; \$10 general/\$8 BACA; 644-6893

Kensington Symphony Orchestra: 7 pm; Benjamin Britten's "Serenade"; 548-9888

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Nancy owns a Kerry Blue Bitsa, Dylan, a retired champion, a Bedlington Betsa, Lydia, who helps at the salon, and an Airedale Terrier, Sydney, who goes to work with Nancy's husband, Sang Bong, a veterinarian in Richmond. The couple show and breed Kerry Blue Terriers, Airdales and Bedlington Terriers.



Dog's Best Friend and Cat's Meow owner Nancy Kallenbach-Han with Sienna, a soft coated Wheaten.

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# On the Hill

## Hidden treasures being crowded out

I am searching for a flower called a sun cup. AKA *Camissonia ovata*, formerly *Oenothera ovata*, in the evening-primrose family. It has four yellow petals forming a cup, catching the sun and throwing it back into the sky. Flat on the ground, served up on a rosette of leaves, it is one of the earliest of the spring flowers. And, like most of California's native plants, a treat to be enjoyed only by those people fortunate to be living within (or visiting) a relatively tiny portion of the earth's surface.

In the case of the sun cup, this means near the coast from southwest Oregon to San Luis Obispo County. Period. And within this region, it grows only where the soil, the sunlight and the seasonal moisture occur in whatever mysterious combination makes for perfect sun cup habitat, where the sun cup has been able to hold its own, generation after uncounted generation.

Which, to my regret, does not seem to include my garden, or any other garden I know of. So, when a scientist in St. Louis needs a handful of fresh leaves, so

that he can have a tiny fragment of the DNA analyzed, he needs to ask someone who lives where the sun cup grows. Which is my excuse this day in early February to head again to Albany Hill, one of the few places in the East Bay where the sun cup can be found. Sure enough, there are the yellow cups glowing on the ground, in the various places I've seen them in previous years.

I gather leaves from a spot where the sun cups appear to be particularly vigorous, which sadly is a vacant lot that is probably destined for development. I'll come back in a few months and look for seeds, a bit of a trick, since sun cup and its close relatives keep their seeds as buried treasure, in a sturdy capsule nestled in the ground beneath the leaves.

I notice some other early spring flowers in bloom: California buttercup with its many delicate yellow petals, and the blue-violet globes of the curiously named blue dicks (presumably a truncation of its Latin name, *Dichelostemma*, alternatively treated as *Brodiaea*). Vines of

wild cucumber trail across the ground, covered with cream-colored flowers. I wonder how big the root is that they arise from; some are large enough to have triggered the alternate name, man-root. I see the sprawling California blackberry is already in bloom, whereas thickets of naturalized Himalayan blackberry will not do so until summer. Although most other blackberries have both pollen and fruit produced by every flower, plants of the California blackberry are either functionally male or functionally female. This may help explain why, even though plants are abundant, the tasty fruit are a seldom-found treat.

I notice the California buckeye starting to leaf out, earlier than the seedlings I planted in my back yard last year. The poison-oak is also leafing out, leaves glistening with their malevolent oil. A few butterflies drift by, a couple of monarchs and a swallowtail. Bumblebees bumble around, and a big black beetle stumbles across the ground. I find a small feather, perhaps that of an owl, perhaps of a hawk.

As always seems to happen, I spend more time on the hill than intended. Not simply to seek out the spring treasures (are trillium and pink-flowered currant still in flower? have blue-eyed grass and wood rose begun to bloom yet?), but to do some weeding in this "garden-without-walls." I pull some scattered French broom while the ground is still moist, but

mostly it is the *Oxalis pes-caprae* that catches my attention this time of year. Commonly referred to by East Bay gardeners simply as "oxalis," with either fondness or distaste, this particular species has also somehow acquired the moniker of "Bermuda-buttercup," even though it is neither a buttercup nor from Bermuda. Rather, like German-ivy, it is yet one more South African import that has transgressed beyond the boundaries wherein it is welcome.

I am dismayed to see how much oxalis has spread on Albany Hill since I first began walking on the hill over a decade ago. In addition to solid patches, such a large one on the rest of the hill, I keep finding small patches, even individual plants, popping up almost everywhere I wander. Bob Ornduff, a professor of botany at

UC Berkeley who has a great interest in all species of oxalis, thinks that the abundance of oxalis makes a lovely green cover, with trumpet-shaped yellow flowers rising above the mass of delicate green leaves only in spring, after which leaves and flowers turn brown and only if you are willing to have nothing but oxalis, about everything else gets completely crowded out. The sun cups, California buttercups, blue dicks, and other wildflowers on Albany Hill if the oxalis is allowed to

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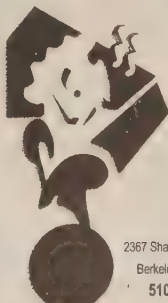
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# Albany Unified School District student registration set to begin

ALBANY — The Albany Unified School District will register children for admission to Kindergarten and new enrollee (Grades 1-5) for the Fall of 1997 on Wednesday, March 5 from 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at the Veteran's Memorial Building, 1375 Portland Ave. (in Memorial Park). Starting March 1, children may be registered at Vista, MacGregor, Marin, or Cornell schools.

Registering your child at the closest school may not guarantee assignment to that school. We may need to assign pupils outside of present school boundaries in order to house the expected enrollment.

ment.

For Kindergarten registration, parents must bring the child's certified birth certificate or other proof of age and be prepared to fill out health forms concerning vaccinations, immunizations, and childhood diseases. Documentation of the dates of immunizations for polio, D.P.T., measles (Rubeola), mumps, rubella (German measles) and Hepatitis B for each Kindergarten child is required. No Child can enter Kindergarten next Fall unless he/she has had these immunizations. Minimum doses required for Polio are three, as long as the third

dose was received after the second birthday, and four doses for D.P.T. as long as the fourth dose was also received after the second birthday. Measles, rubella, and mumps (MMR) have a single required dose, provided it was received after the first birthday, and Hepatitis B, three doses.

Also note that no registrations will be accepted unless all information is complete.

Parents must also provide a deed or rental agreement plus two other forms of proof of Albany residence such as your W-2 form, permanent driver's license, utility bills, a bank statement, etc.

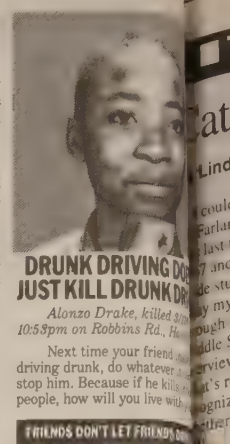
Children are eligible for public school Kindergarten if the child will be five years of age on or before Dec. 2 1997. The District cannot accept registration for children who are younger than that age, even though the child may have had several years of preschool experience. (All students registering must provide documentation stating proof of age.)

An accurate registration is important to the School District for planning next year's classes. If registration on March 5 is not possible, please register your child during school hours at any elementary school as soon as possible

after that date. The date of registration is one factor which may be considered in making school assignments.

Parents not residing in Albany who are interested in enrolling new students in Albany elementary schools, must apply for enrollment at the District Office on Thursday, May 1. Out-of-district applicants for grades K-5 will be placed on a first-come, first-served basis if classroom space is available.

An information evening for new Kindergarten parents will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 18 (7-9 p.m.) in the Multipurpose Room at Marin School, 1001 Santa Fe Avenue.



# WOMEN IN BUSINESS

## Susan Urquhart-Brown - CAREER STEPS

Ready to make a career change? Feel stuck? Not sure about your transferable skills? Wonder if you have what it takes to start your own business? Take charge of your career by consulting with Susan Urquhart-Brown, M.A., career counselor. Susan advises, "In today's marketplace, career success requires a new mindset. Think of your career as an independent business that you manage and grow. It's essential to be able to clarify and communicate your key strengths, marketable skills, and unique assets."

Call Susan to initiate your first step toward achieving your career goals. For further information or an appointment, call (510) 531-2071. Individual



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Women In Business is a special feature recognizing women throughout East Bay and the variety of professions they are pursuing. The following photo profile section provides valuable resource information to business and individuals and reveals a variety of professions established by women.

Today you can find women embracing careers in such fields from mechanics and chimney sweeping to entrepreneurs in the world of art dancing. The areas of mortgage brokers, dentists, travel agents, psychologists and real estate have also attracted women as well as publishing, entertainment, accounting, public relations, pet sitting and graphic design.

The opportunities continue to present themselves as more and more women-owned businesses develop. This feature not only pays tribute to women, but offers a glimpse into various backgrounds and accomplishments they have achieved.

## Karen Killebrew, CTC, & Sheila Dorey, CTC - Escape Artists Travel & Holtz Tours

Escape Artists Travel celebrated its 15th anniversary on November 2, 1996. Sheila Dorey and Karen Killebrew, owners of the Piedmont Avenue travel agency, have a combined 35 years experience in the travel industry.

Escape Artists Travel has made a reputation for designing custom itineraries in the U.S. and abroad. Their travel counselors have the expertise to advise on destinations and to create travel plans that deliver value and quality. Karen and Sheila have a strong commitment to preserving the environment and cultures of the world's travel destinations, and serve on the boards of several prominent trade associations and non-profit conservation organizations.

Some of their specialties include hiking and bicycle trips, nature tourism, cultural exploration,



tion, women's trips and small-ship cruising. Holtz Tours is their senior tour business, offering personally designed and escorted tours which depart from Piedmont Avenue.

Escape Artists Travel  
(510) 652-1700  
escapeart@aol.com

## Melissa Lyckberg - Realtor Extraordinaire

Melissa Lyckberg is known to her clients as the agent who cares. She is entering her 20th year of selling homes in the Berkeley area, and counts over 300 past clients, many of whom became close personal friends.

Melissa stands out because she embodies the principal of Get By Giving. Whether it is free advice or expert representation in the sale of a home, Melissa gives her all to the client.

Over 98% of Melissa's business is from referral - from friends, past clients and other agents. As a thank-you gift, Melissa gives a donation to the charity chosen by the referring party. Her hard work, intelligence and energetic approach have contributed to an outstanding real estate career. She is the top producer with the

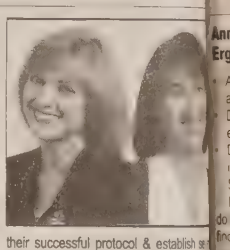


Berkeley office of Coldwell Banker, the first in the office to achieve the rank of International President's Elite. A warm and caring person, Melissa is an asset to the community.

## J.J. Ponath, Ph.D. & Ashley Thibault-McKeegan - Madison Medical Weight Management

Ashley Thibault-McKeegan is a native of Piedmont, and a graduate of UCSD. She has a proven track record in business development and finance, and is currently the Business Development Manager at Madison Medical. J.J. Ponath, Ph.D., also an East Bay native, is a clinical psychologist with more than fifteen years experience in the treatment of weight management & eating disorders.

Together, Ms. McKeegan & Dr. Ponath have combined their skills to form Madison Medical Weight Management. According to Ms. McKeegan, "We know that dieting alone is not the answer to effective life long weight control". By working closely with the Madison physicians, Dr. Ponath helps each patient develop an individualized treatment program. The vision for Madison Medical is to take



their successful protocol & establish a clinic in the Bay Area. "There will always be people in search of a healthy lifestyle. We intend to bring those people the latest in medical technology, psychological and nutritional counseling, so that the solution will be ours. For information, call: (510) 838-9878."

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## Choi Tse Permanent Make-up

Choi Tse has been a leader in the field of permanent make-up for ten years, the last five as the owner of a national training center for beginning and advanced students.

As a procedure service center, PERMANENT CHOICES specializes in correction and removal of unwanted permanent make-up. Choi has also developed techniques that balance and enhance the face without resulting in a hard look.

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Permanent Choices is located in Alameda at 2715 Encinal Avenue.

## Marilyn Thureau - Summiters Radiant Heat, Inc.

As stone and tile floors continue to be popular, owners appreciate being able to warm those floors to a comfortable temperature. Summiters Radiant Heat carries a variety of electric floorwarming products that can be used in new construction and remodeling projects. The advantage of an electric system is that it requires no water or tubing. Products range from electric cable to pre-sized mats. Size and shape of the room, final floor covering, and floor height determine which system is best.

Costs are small compared to the comfort gained. A thermostat controls the temperature of the floor and a timer can be set to the client's schedule. An added benefit is that the floor can be warm even when the regular heating system is not needed. Summiters Radiant Heat has been



serving clients in the Bay Area for 11 years. Call Marilyn Thureau to find about floorwarming for your future new home or remodeled space.

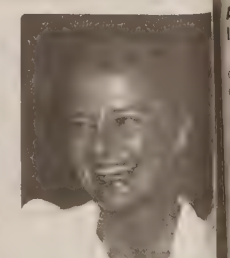
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## The Rose Lady A Specialty Gardener

What causes rust? What does mulch do? I don't know how to prune. What am I doing wrong? Sound familiar? If you have questions about your roses, Katherine Koller has the answers. She is a roses-only gardener, providing year-round rose maintenance.

Katherine is a UC-Berkeley graduate with a degree in design and horticulture. She is a perennial student of Rayford Reddell, Chronicle Rose Columnist, and of Hans Jenny, UC Soil Science professor. Katherine holds the coveted California Qualified Applicator, which means if a pesticide or herbicide is needed, she is legal when she sprays.

A personal invitation from The Rose Lady - "If your rose garden is suffering from your hectic schedule or browsing deer, or just because you are not sure of what to do when and how to do it, please give me a call. I would like to get to know your roses and you!"



Katherine Koller  
510-523-0433

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## Susan L. Jeffries, J.D., L.I.M. (tax) Divorce & Family Business Attorney

In six years, Susan has grown her firm to become the largest small law firm in Alameda and the largest 100 percent woman-owned firm in the East Bay. She was voted "Best Attorney" by the Alameda Times-Star Group for the past four years in a row.

Clients like the way they are treated with dignity and respect in a comfortable office environment. Her considerate and well-trained staff has helped hundreds of people with the most personal of legal problems including business, tax and estate planning. Every client benefits from Susan's masters degree in tax law and over 16 years of business and tax experience. Whether they come for a single consultation or an entire case, every client leaves with some new ideas and a roadmap to the next step toward solving their problem.

Business owners often consult Susan because her active community involvement as a member of numerous civic and charitable boards and organizations helps her solve business problems.

Her firm handles cases involving: DIVORCE • CUSTODY • SUPPORT WILLS • TRUSTS • PROBATE TAXES • BUSINESS • LITIGATION



Susan Jeffries - Alameda  
(510) 865-6664

Committed to service, the Law Office of Susan Jeffries offers handicap accessibility and free parking at 2159 Central Ave., near Walnut Street in Alameda.

## Pauline Kelley Pauline's Antiques

Pauline's Antiques has been an Alameda tradition for over 35 years. The woman behind the name is co-owner (with husband, Bob) Pauline Kelley.

Anyone who has ventured into the world of yesteryear bursting out of Pauline's Antiques doors has entered into Pauline Kelley's pride and passion. Pauline operated her store at Chestnut Street and Encinal Avenue in Alameda for 17 years, moving then to Santa Clara Avenue and now on to a larger location on Alameda's historic Park Street. Pauline's Antiques at 1427 Park Street offers over 8,000 square feet of floor space.

Whatever you want in antiques, Pauline probably has it in her store. And, if by chance she doesn't, she probably can



Pauline Kelley  
523-3561

tell you where to find it! Come and browse through the thousands and thousands of antiques and collectibles at Pauline's Antiques.

## Jane Cassidy & Associates, Attorneys

For a decade, Jane Cassidy has provided East Bay families with the highest quality legal service and personalized attention at a reasonable cost.

She helps individuals and wealthy families avoid probate fees and minimize transfer taxes - which without planning can climb as high as 55%.

Jane Cassidy also assists her clients negotiate life's turning points, helping them to:

- establish or restructure a business
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- structure divorce settlements
- establish tax-saving trusts
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Initial half-hour consultations are free, and in that half-hour you may learn legal strategies



that will preserve thousands of dollars for you and your family. It's a good idea to set an appointment when you are preparing your annual tax return.

Jane Cassidy, Attorney  
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## Teacher feature

## Catching up with Mr. Mac

Linda Goldfarb

I couldn't wait to be in Jack McFarland's classroom again. The last time I was there, it was 1977 and I was one of his 7th grade students. (Have I given you my age?). As I walked through the halls of Albany Middle School on my way to this interview, I spotted him, but what's really surprising is that he recognized me. I'm still deciding whether that's a compliment or not.

While we caught up on each other's lives, his students dashed

in and out, "Hey, Mr. Mac, can I borrow a pencil?" "Mr. Mac, can I leave my stuff in here?" Annie Lee, his student aide, also popped in to see how she could help. It was clear by their rapport that she not only had a great respect for this soft-spoken, good-humored man, but genuinely liked him as well.

One of Mr. Mac's many accomplishments in his 33 years with the Albany School District has been to introduce a geography bee at the school. "About nine years ago, I participated in a geography institute sponsored by

the National Geographic Society. We learned ways to bring geography back into the classroom."

Once a year, middle schools throughout the State hold a Geography Bee. The winner of the school bee takes a test to qualify as one of the top 100 students accepted to participate in the State bee. Every year, a student from AMS has qualified for the State bee. And in both 1993 and 1994, AMS student, Jory Hecht, won the State championship!

Another tradition Mr. Mac started is an annual camping expedition. "For the past 24 years, I've taken my class on a 5-day

trip to Yosemite." He produced a thick album of photos. One shot showed kids laughing around their tents; in the next, the same tents appeared to be floating in the middle of a lake. Mr. Mac's eyes twinkled as he explained, "Last year, Tenaya Creek overflowed and our campground flooded under three feet of water." Memorable? Just ask the kids.

I was curious, "Is teaching different now than it was in the 60's?" He didn't ponder long. "Kids haven't really changed over the years, but you have to be more of an entertainer now. They're more demanding and much more

See TEACHER on page 14



AMS teacher Jack McFarland with student aide Annie Lee

## WOMEN IN BUSINESS

## Patricia Jennerjohn - Focused Finances



If you're like most women, you're probably too busy taking care of others to take care of yourself - particularly when it comes to your money.

Consider turning to an independent, fee-only financial planner. Patricia Jennerjohn, MBA, CFP, dedicates a large part of her practice, Focused Finances, to helping women. "I enjoy helping women focus and organize their financial goals, so they can build a nest egg for themselves," explains Pat. "Sometimes it's as simple as making a commitment to watch impulse buying and pay yourself first."

Women's financial well-being depends on issues unique to their gender - this has nothing to do with smarts, savvy, or character, but lots to do with demographics and biology. For example, women are expected to live for at least 19 years in

retirement, four years longer than men. "It's never too late for women to start saving," says Pat.

**Focused Finances**  
763-3851

## Wanda Rudsits - Beyond Flowers



**Beyond Flowers** is the best kept secret in the East Bay. This elegant flower shop is located in the Claremont Resort. Proprietor Wanda Rudsits is well-known for her unique floral designs for weddings, parties and home decor.

**Beyond Flowers** has an extensive portfolio available for your review. During 15 years in business and hundreds of successful weddings and events Wanda has many satisfied clients. To quote a few...

"The end result was truly a work of art."

"Wanda was an absolute joy to work with."

"I thank you for your attention to the smallest detail."

"Your creative spirit captured the very essence of the atmosphere I was trying to create."

Wanda continues to be committed to meeting and exceeding her client's expectations.

**Wanda Rudsits**  
**Beyond Flowers**  
549-1080

## Bonnie Headlee - The Trades Guild



Need a painter? A plumber? A general contractor? Bonnie Headlee, founder of The Trades Guild, knows how frustrating finding a reliable, reputable contractor can be. Now in its eighth year, The Trades Guild helps East Bay consumers find quality tradespeople. They've made nearly 100,000 referrals to homeowners in 70 Bay Area communities. From architects to painters to tree trimmers...and more!

With a single phone call, you receive the names and phone numbers of contractors who have passed The Trades Guild's strict requirements, including a personal interview, portfolio review, and written references from previous customers. They also verify the license, bond, insurance, and current complaint record with other consumer agencies. And the referrals are FREE, with no hidden percentages.

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## Ann Grassel - Physical Therapist Ergonomic Solutions



Are you or your employees concerned about work-related injuries?

Do you need help modifying your work environment?

Did you know that repetitive stress injuries cost United States businesses \$20 billion in 1996?

Many businesses spend thousands of dollars on new ergonomic equipment only to find it ineffective in preventing injuries, if the person using the equipment does not also learn to use their bodies effectively.

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As part of her program, Ann evaluates your business or home office and works closely with each individual or group, teaching them how to

implement low-cost modifications and effectively use their bodies at work.

Create a low-cost, supportive work environment.

**Ann Grassel P.T.**  
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510-843-7504 (phone/fax)

## Jennifer Carver - Investing in Asia



Jennifer Carver has opened Pacific Rim Advisors, an investment advisory company specializing in Asian markets. Ms. Carver, a registered investment advisor with a decade of securities experience, has averaged an outstanding 28% annual performance growth since 1991, while managing a Hong Kong-based investment advisory business. Now based in Montclair, she brings her proven philosophy of investing in solidly managed mutual funds in undervalued Pacific Rim markets to American investors.

"Asia is the world's fastest growing area with projected average GDP growth of 7% for 1997, compared to 2% for the U.S.," she noted. "Clearly, the Pacific Rim is positioned to be a powerhouse in the world economic scheme and the Asian stock markets will reflect this tremendous growth."

Ms. Carver, who previously served as a stockbroker and a fund manager covering

Asian markets for Credit Lyonnais Securities and Banque Indosuez, also offers assistance in direct investment, product distribution, or establishing/managing an office in Asia. For information call (510) 339-8656.

**Jennifer Carver**  
**Investing in Asia**

## Peggy Bush - Mediator and Arbitrator/Attorney



Are you in a family-owned business? A closely-held corporation? A partnership or foundation? These types of businesses frequently involve ownership and control held by a relatively small group, different opinions about how to grow, people who are financially dependent on income from the business, and very personal interactions, frequently with family members.

Conflicts in these types of businesses are among the most challenging. Litigation is a time consuming, emotional and financially draining way to solve a dispute. Solve your conflict by selecting an alternative to litigation. Consult a mediator & arbitrator with 25 year experience in legal, business, and personal conflicts.

I am an attorney, an executive, and an

arbitrator and mediator: my business is resolving your business disputes, be they workplace disagreements, claims from third parties, or internal conflicts.

**Peggy Bush**  
(510) 336-7066

## Audrey Rice Oliver - Integrated Business Solutions, Inc.



Audrey Rice Oliver is President and CEO of Integrated Business Solutions, Inc., a computer systems integrator providing a variety of services to companies and government entities. Headquartered in San Ramon and founded in 1984, the company has nearly 100 employees.

Integrated's major clients include TRW, AMS, Pacific Bell, PRC, UNISYS, the state of California, the city of Chicago, and the city of San Francisco.

Oliver was elected as a delegate to the White House Conference on Small Business in 1995, where she was selected as the Northern California State Chair by the delegation.

At President Clinton's invitation, Oliver participated in the 1992 and 1995 Economic Conferences and was named the 1996 National Minority Entrepreneur of the Year by the U.S. Department of Commerce. Oliver was recognized by the state of California as

having the best woman-owned business in 1995, and was honored as Entrepreneur of the Year by the National Association of Women Business Owners in 1993.

**Audrey Rice Oliver**  
(510) 275-2500

## Betty Ann Harrison, ASID - Betty Ann Harrison Interiors, Inc.



The philosophy at Betty Ann Harrison Interiors, Inc., is to provide you with design solutions that enhance your life. If there is one word that describes our work, it is comfortable. We provide you with both outstanding service and quality interior design solutions that compliment your lifestyle.

When you choose Betty Ann Harrison Interiors, Inc., Betty Ann will personally meet with you to discuss your goals, lifestyle, time frame, and budget. Having lived in Virginia, California and Hawaii as well as having extensive international travel, Betty Ann provides you with a unique opportunity to work with a designer who enjoys all periods of furnishings.

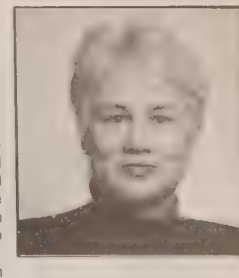
Currently, Betty Ann is working on a classic contemporary home with renovated bathrooms and kitchens along with a home

office and state-of-the-art entertainment.

Betty Ann is an award-winning professional member of the American Society of Interior Designers.

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## Charlotte Kelly - Coach



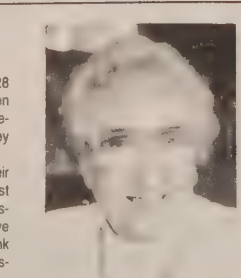
More and more people are turning to Coaches to give them that extra edge in starting new businesses, increasing their income, exploring new directions, completing projects, and getting organized. Coaches help you to clarify and set goals; they keep you on track; and they enable you to breakthrough where you would have stopped or given up in the past. A Coach is someone who wants you to succeed!

Charlotte Kelly has just returned from two years in Russia where she successfully coached women in starting their own businesses. For the past 10 years, she has empowered thousands of women through the non-profit organization, Women's Alliance, which she founded and directed. She has called

out the best in women's self-esteem, their commitment to their goals and dreams, and their desire to create a better future.

For a Free 30-Minute Consultation  
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## Lisa Gregersen - Danish Interiors



Danish Interiors is celebrating it's 28 year anniversary this year! Lisa Gregersen believes the years have flown by so fast because the owners and staff love what they are doing.

How can Danish Interiors not enjoy their anniversary? When you have the best craftsmanship and the most wonderful customers, even employees of 22 years have never wanted to quit. For that, they thank all the beautiful people who made it possible.

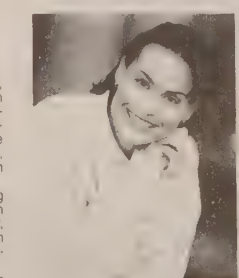
Although they cannot fix a broken heart, they can provide you with quality Danish furniture for every room in your home and personal service that has kept them in business for a quarter of a century.

Thank you so much from Lisa, Erik and Mike.

**Lisa Gregersen**  
(510) 521-7470

Please visit them at 1325 Park Street, Alameda.

## Melissa Rogers-Powers Impeccable Interiors House Cleaning Service



After many years of experience at housework, Melissa left the company for another full-time occupation - MOTHERHOOD. Finding a dependable, customer-oriented cleaning person wasn't just difficult, it was virtually impossible. Melissa discovered as she tried to secure help with her own home. Following the birth of her son, Impeccable Interiors was born a year later and has been going strong ever since.

It's simple, really. Impeccable Interiors is a cleaning service devoted to customer service. And it all begins with listening to your needs. All of them. To what you want, and especially to what you don't want. Anyone can push a vacuum around or scour the inside of an oven. Impeccable Interiors goes beyond that.

Melissa personally designs each cleaning program to mirror your wishes and style in every detail. She hand picks a house cleaner from her very select group of professionals whose abilities best suit your needs, making sure everything runs smoothly week after week - management in other words.

Melissa coordinates everything - the work, the special arrangements, the vacation schedules, the before and after party cleanings, the unexpected mother-in-law "emergencies" - so you don't have to. Impeccable Interiors is a

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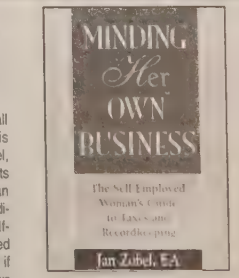
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# Hill

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unchecked. A diversity of what is uniquely Californian, what has helped make Albany Hill special, would be traded for a lowest-common-denominator uniformity. And the number of places worldwide where sun cups can grow ratchets down one more notch, an incremental bleeding away that is occurring cumulatively throughout the sun cup's range.

So even though the magnitude of the task is daunting, I find myself constantly stopping to pull the individual plant, the isolated patch that lurks within a meadow that still harbors a slice of Californian diversity. I know that I am not removing the oxalis, since the bulb remains behind, too deeply buried to be easily removed, fully capable of sprouting again next spring. However, as I know from fighting the plant in my own back yard, it can do this trick only so many times in a row before exhausting itself. The challenge is to act at a time that will do the most damage, when the oxalis has invested the maximum of its stored "capital" into production, without yet having had the

chance to see a return on its "investment."

I can't help but think that if everyone else who walked on Albany Hill did as I was doing, pushing back a few oxalis, German-ivy or French broom, the day would come when there would be no more on the hill to remove. As 20th century Americans, we are attuned to boldly visible solutions, quick and definitive. However, just as we lose ground incrementally, so also must it be incrementally that we gain it back. Hence, it will be through our persistence, and our patience, that future generations can experience the pleasure of seeking the sun cups on Albany Hill in early spring, cupping the sun and throwing it back into the sky.

The next Albany Hill volunteer stewardship day is Saturday, Feb. 22, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This month we will be meeting at the entrance to Albany Park, on top of the hill at the end of Taft Street. Stewardship activities will be preceded by a spring wildflower walk, beginning at 9 a.m. led by Dr. Barbara Ertter, Curator of Western North American Flora at UC Berkeley. Remember you can make a difference.

# Teacher

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sophisticated." More sophisticated than in 1967? Impossible!

"What's the most rewarding part of teaching?" I continued. "That's easy, the kids," he replied with a grin. "Well then, what's the most challenging part of your job?" I asked. "The kids," he replied with an even bigger grin.

As I got up to leave, I told Mr. Mac that I would send him a copy of this feature when it was published. Mischievously, he quipped, "Should I correct it?"

Gosh, it felt good to be in Mr. McFarland's class again.

# Lumber

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specialty woodworking offered and to the marketplace.

"People today are wanting to put quality back into their houses," he said.

He'd like to see the same kind of quality return to the area's commercial districts. Freethy already knows of another business "following suit" in the upgrade being undertaken at El Cerrito Mill and Lumber.

"I hope others do the same," he said, adding, "When we get done in a couple of months, I hope this is something the community will be proud of."

For their part, he hopes residents "will continue to support small businesses in the community of El Cerrito."

El Cerrito Mill and Lumber is open for business during the renovation, but an official Grand Opening is scheduled for May 9 and 10.

# Long-time resident, Fosselius, returns to Albany

ALBANY — Flo Salo (Florence Fosselius) celebrated her 80th birthday with relatives and friends on Feb. 2. Living more than half her life in Albany, Florence, a longtime friend of Albany Schools, is now back in her favorite community.

Flo is recently widowed again (Carl died in 1971). John Salo is late of Richmond Senior Center and FAHA (Finnish American Home Association of El Verano, CA).

Flo is back on her old 700 block of San Carlos. She sports a shorter name, now, on her walks around Albany; as slight as she is, the old name would have too much wind resistance!

Flo, an Illinois farm girl, graduated from Berkeley High, attended

UC Berkeley and California College of Arts and Crafts. She was demonstrating Swedish weaving on Treasure Island during the 1939 World's Fair when she met Carl Fosselius, a Swedish immigrant and merchant seaman.

After the war with sons George and Carl, junior (always known as Ernie Fosselius) and daughter Karina, they moved to Albany and enrolled Gedrg in Erna Seeger's kindergarten class at Marin School.

She was previously written up (in the Berkeley Gazette in 1968) for having been baking and decorating Swedish style Gingerbread Houses for 20 years. Florence was president of MacGregor PTA back in its early years (when Charles MacGregor was still around), and roped Carl Sr. into playing Santa

Claus for the Christmas party.

Florence was a major mover in the old Marin School Carnival with Cheryl Kleinhammer, Frances Nottingham and Helen McGimpsey. Flo and Carl helped AHS band director Ernie Douglas start the Albany High Band Boosters. They were the first presidents.

Carl was active in the Marin School Dads' Club, Pack 3 and Troop 42 committees. Carl and Bob Nehis (longtime AUDS Board of Education member) talked Joe Dagna into loaning his grocery truck so the Cub Scouts could collect Christmas trees at Epiphany to reduce the fire haz-

ards (and garner a few dollars to support the Pack). This survived for 45 years.

It seems like Flo knitted, personalized Christmas stockings half the town. When arthritis finally stopped her knitting, she up poetry, and has been published and honored for her poems.

Flo is now active in the Lutheran Senior Center in El Cerrito (a two mile walk) and encourages everyone to "write their stories."

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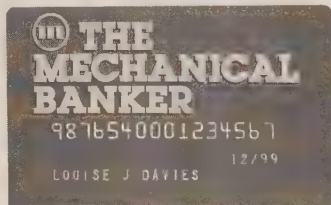
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# Goings

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tenor, horn and strings; and Symphony No. 2, "Romantic" by Howard Hanson; First Baptist Church, 770 Sonoma St., Richmond Heights; \$8 general/\$6 seniors; children under 12 free; 525-4796

**"An Afternoon with John Rogers and Cole Porter":** 4 pm; discussion and recordings of the life and work of Cole Porter; Maybeck Recital Hall, 1537 Euclid Ave., Berkeley; \$10; 848-3228

**Vellinger String Quartet:** 3 pm; Mozart's Quartet in E-flat major K.428 (K.421b), "Haydn No. 3," Alban Berg's Lyric Suite, and Haydn Quartet in E-flat major, Opus 71, No. 3; Hertz Hall, UC Berkeley campus, Bancroft Way at College Ave., Berkeley; \$26; 642-9988

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**Steve Gannon and The Monday Blues Jam:** 9:30 pm; Blake's, 2367 Tele-

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**Ever Young Musicians:** 1:15 pm; N. Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hearst/MLK Jr. Way, Berkeley; 644-6107

**Kristen Battersby/Connie Champagne:** 8 pm; Acoustic Music Series; The Brick Hut Cafe, 2512 San Pablo Ave. (near Dwight), Berkeley; \$3; 486-1124

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**Anorexia/Bulimia Group of Overeaters Anonymous:** every Tues. at 7:30 pm; St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave., Berkeley Feb. 26

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**Feb. 23**

**Beyond Compassion Fatigue:** 10:30 am; sustaining and nurturing efforts with the homeless; presenter, Sally Hindman and Tom McAninley; Berkeley Fellowship of Unitarian Universalists, 1924 Cedar at Bonita St., Berkeley; childcare for toddlers; classes for preschool-jr. high; 526-0972

**St. Alban's Episcopal Church:** Steve Cannon, graduate of the School for Deacons, will preach; 1501 Washington Ave., Albany; 525-1716

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**Feb. 20**

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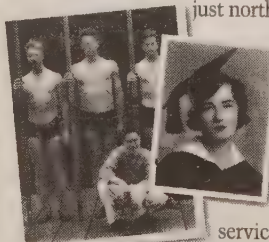
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...from front page  
...by workshop participants before presenta-  
...the city council.

KPAC offered its own community work-  
...last fall. One session, for example, was de-  
...to a brainstorming of ideas after a visit and  
...of the park site. A community survey was  
...results of the survey and other written  
...ions were compiled. The committee also met  
...the Kensington Hilltop P.T.A. and the Kens-  
...Community Council to obtain input on each  
...own desires for park facilities.

The immediate result of the process was a 12-  
...ment of comments.

...re drafting goals based on that document and  
...committee's own visits to the site, (determining)  
...what this site is all about," said Bluhon.

...committee is not working with a paid con-  
...Bluhon is a professional planner, donating  
...pro bono to the project. Early this week, he  
...working on the preliminary draft and said,  
...no direction at this moment" as to the kind  
...that will be developed.

...the same time, Bluhon believes the committee is  
...ready to formalize development goals. The  
...3 meeting will be the final of three sessions

devoted to a distillation of ideas shared in the public  
workshops.

"I'm pleasantly surprised to see that our group is  
seeing eye to eye on the kind of park it will be, the  
feeling of the park;  
there's a lot of agree-  
ment on it," he said.

The concept plan  
will involve "design  
goals, broad statements  
that will provide a  
framework for more  
detailed design," he  
said. "We'll speak  
about things like use of  
the park, its aesthetic  
and some specific fa-  
cilities."

The plan will in-  
clude the emphasis the  
committee believes the  
majority of the com-  
munity wants as a balance of passive and active use;  
it will also include general development statements.  
("The park should fit neatly into the existing topog-  
raphy," might be an example of such a concept.)

"It will be very general, something on which  
people can come to consensus," Bluhon said. "But it  
does end up becoming a very important determinant  
for the detailed process."

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The public review of  
the concept plans on  
March 22 will take the  
form of a "hands-on"  
workshop; participants  
will discuss specific con-  
cepts for development and  
how each "fits in" to the  
park.

We'll be looking at the  
site's constraints and op-  
portunities, determining  
what kinds of facilities fit  
onto the land and what  
fits into our goals," he  
said, adding that the pro-  
cess will include "actual  
design exercises" with

workshop participants.

For example, if active recreational opportunities  
are desired, participants might discuss whether that  
means a ball field, what kinds of ball games it would

accommodate and where such a field would fit into  
the park's topography.

After the concept goals are fine-tuned, they will  
be presented to the Kensington Community Ser-  
vices District board for approval. The KPAC had  
suggested a 12 to 18 month time frame when it began  
the community process last August.

"I feel we will have a plan to present by Septem-  
ber," Bluhon said.

KCSD board member Lynn Wolter commented  
on the lengthy process.

"I think the committee is being careful, proceed-  
ing carefully and cautiously to make sure the plans  
they come up with reflect the true desires of the  
community," she said.

When a concept plan is approved, there will still  
be more planning to come.

"It all depends on what components we decide to  
move forward with," said Bluhon. "If an item is five  
or eight years down the road, because there's no  
money for it right now, we won't be expending  
money on any drawings."

If the KCSD decides to move forward on certain  
specifics — site grading, a tot lot, a picnic area, a  
field — the design drawing phase itself could take  
from six to eight months, he said.

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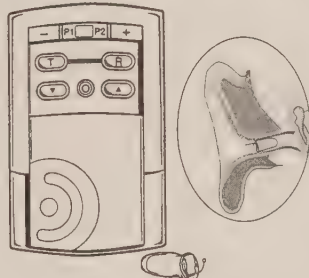
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# Arts & Letters

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## East Bay Events Jewish and Klezmer Music Festivals

Berkeley Richmond Jewish Community Center presents the 10th Annual Jewish Music Festival, March 2-9, at various locations around the East Bay. Highlights of the Festival include an evening with famed Yiddish music specialist, Zalmen Mlotek, an evening of jazz and blues improvisations on Jewish themes with Cohen, Hurricane Sam, and others, and a cantorial concert featuring Moroccan-born Aaron Bensoussan. For information on dates and times of concerts, or to place reservations, call 848-0237. Saturday, March 8, the Fourth Annual Klezmerfest benefit concert and dance will be held at the Oakland Masonic Temple, 2903 Broadway, at 7:30 p.m. Klezmerfest is the main fund-raiser of the Jewish Synagogue Homeless Action Committee. Money raised from the event helps fund programs that provide direct services, such as job training, and child care for homeless and formerly homeless persons. Klezmerfest '97 will feature the lively Eastern European Jewish folk music of Bay Area Klezmer bands Ellis Island Klezmer, as well as violinist Noah Bendix-Balgley. For more information call 531-8129.

## Tools and the Women Who Use Them

Katherine Aoki created this installation of prints and "propaganda" pieces of stimulating reflection upon "traditional gender-assigned" roles. Using the trade show as motif and metaphor, Aoki mocks trade show conventions while probing the assumptions about gender that underlie most advertising. According to the artists, the imaginary space for this show is "hardworking women interested in oversized tools." There is even a small waiting area for the "bored housewives" that features house-keeping magazines for men. "Big Tools and the Women Who Use Them" will run at the Berkeley Art Center, 1500 Walnut St. in Live Oak Park through March 29. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free. For more information, call 848-0237.

## Teen Book Club

Monica Gibson, below, author of *Nappy: Growing Up Black and Beautiful in America*, makes a special appearance for the Teen Book Club at the Berkeley central library, Saturday, Feb. 22, 4:30-5:30 p.m.



## Film: Still graduating after all these years

Renata Polt

*The Graduate* is remembered for three things: It's Dustin Hoffman's debut film. It shows a man driving from L.A. to San Francisco via the Golden Gate Bridge. And it contains the classic line: "I just wanna say one word to you, Mike Nichols' film, *The Graduate*, is a revival for a 30th anniversary. It still earns plenty of laughs, and from that, it wears its age better than the rest of us. Hoffman plays Ben Braddock, a wealthy Southern California parents bursting with pride in his college achievements: track star, editor of the school paper, head of the debating team...he's sure to follow in his father's footsteps now he's graduated. So why is Ben so lost and directionless?

Because it's the Sixties, baby. The film's opening sequence is a masterpiece of understatement. Never far from a close-up of Ben's face, the film takes him from the airport's "moving walkway" to the overdecorated suburban home where his graduation gift, a Lincoln Continental convertible ("a real job"), stands outside the door. At the bash Ben's clueless father (William Daniels) and Elizabeth (Faye Dunaway) throw for him that his



Anne Bancroft in foreground as Mrs. Robinson. Dustin Hoffman in background.

father's partner's wife, the smashing Mrs. Robinson (Anne Bancroft), asks Ben to drive her home. Her come-on is unsubtle and hilarious, and the easily manipulated but reluctant Ben is saved by the arrival of Mr. Robinson (Murray Hamilton), who pines him with Scotch and platitudes ("You'll never be young again"). But it's not long before Ben takes Mrs. R. up on her offer, and the rest, as they say, is history, to the accompaniment of "Mrs. Robinson," by far the least whiny of the pseudo-folk songs that

## Easy Going Turns 18

by Tiller Russell

The Easy Going Travel Shop and Bookstore at 1385 Shattuck Avenue does double duty tonight, hosting the Chamber of Commerce's monthly mixer and celebrating its eighteenth birthday. More than 200 business associates and Chamber members will descend on Berkeley's own traveler's Mecca for wine and hors d'oeuvres. The festivities begin at 5:30 p.m. and continue for an hour and a half.

Although the store will remain open for normal business, space will be very limited, warns Easy Going co-founder and co-owner Thelma Elkins. "The doors will stay open because I'm not going to miss a sale," she laughed. Cookies will be served this Sunday for those who want to celebrate without the crowds.

As every savvy Berkeley nomad knows, Easy Going is a don't-miss stop for trip planning. From *Nude Beaches of California* to *Bushwalking in Australia*, the selection of titles is wide and deep. And that's just the guide books.

How about rainproof clothing, car plugs, backpacks, and maps? Check, check, check and check.

It wasn't always so easy for Berkeley travelers.

Nearly 20 years ago, Mort and Thelma Elkins had to scour the city to provision their son for a five-week trip to Israel. "Why doesn't one store have everything?" they asked each other with last-minute desperation.

"It was like an epiphany," remembers Ms. Elkins. "We just said let's do it."

After two years of plotting and researching, Easy Going made its debut in a tiny office above the Consumer's Cooperative Market (now Andronico's), not far from its current location.

The Elkinses shuttled between their day-jobs as social workers and the new bookstore at night. Initially, the brunt of the venture fell on daughter Judy Gilford. "We had no clue about retail and no models to follow, and our 21-year-old daughter was at the helm a lot of the time," recalls Ms. Elkins. "It was fairly chaotic at first."

The store grew little by little and changed locations throughout the years. Customers who came in looking for a book often ended up helping to carry boxes to a new location. But a family-style ambience always clung to the place, enabling Easy Going to withstand growing pains and competition from the bigger book chains.

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## Recycled delights at Oakland Museum

by Renata Polt

In the days of the old Berkeley Co-op, surely the Berkeleyest of all Berkeley institutions, the publication I looked forward to the most each week was the Co-op News, an eight- or twelve-page newsprint bulletin sent out to all members.

It wasn't the Weekly Specials I turned to first; in fact, I shopped at Safeway or Lucky's as often as I did at the Co-op. What I relished was the household hints column, which advised frugal Berkeleyans on how to re-use things (this was before the word "recycle" was even invented) and save even more money.

There was, for example, the tip on making hair rollers out of frozen orange juice cans, and the one about cutting up and gluing paper grocery sacks to make envelopes. But my favorite was this: Cut plastic bags into strips, tie them end to end, and crochet them into shopping bags. Brilliant! Not only would you put the plastic bags to use, but you'd also save paper!

Well, somebody actually did it, and—you know what?—they look great!

They're at "Hello Again: A New Wave of Recycled Art and Design," the Oakland Museum of California's bang-up show of art made from articles that started life as something else altogether. The show's guest curator is Berkeley resident Susan Subtle.

Most of us think of recycling as that weekly chore of putting the wine bottles and newspapers out on the sidewalk in their blue plastic crates. The artists and craftspeople represented in "Hello Again" go way beyond flattening the mixed-metal cat food cans and sorting them separately from the aluminum beer cans. In "Hello Again," you'll find the utilitarian and the amusing, the



David Smith

DPW Bowls, 1996, recycled Dept. of Public Works traffic signs by Boris Bally for Riverside Design Group from "Hello Again."

artful and the poignant, arranged in groupings with titles like "The Dressing Room," "The Garden," "The Sitting Room"—and it's all made from stuff you or I would have put out on the curb or in the trash.

Especially intriguing are the garments made from bottle caps, trash bags, men's (used) jockey shorts, and shredded currency. The most wearable clothing is made of EcoSpun Fortrel fleece, an after-

product of recycled plastic bottles. The soft, brightly colored fabric compares favorably to Polartec.

You'd have to be a lot more daring to wear the jockey shorts wedding gown or Isaac Mizrahi's dress made of disks cut from beer cans. But the jacket incorporating used neckties—they belonged to curator Subtle's father—would look right at home in a trendy San Francisco club. On the other hand, the

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## Deadtime Stories

The authors of a new 17-book series of funny horror without violence or gore will be in Berkeley for a book signing. Annette and Gina Cascone (the "Twisted Sisters") will sign copies of their work at Barnes & Noble, 2532 Shattuck Ave., from 11 a.m.-noon Sat., Feb. 22. The sisters have written six books, two horror movie screenplays, and several pop songs, including one top-ten hit. The *Deadtime Stories* series is aimed at children 8-12 years old. For more information, call 644-0861.

## Book beat: Foodies Abroad

*Tales: Food, collected and edited by Richard Sterling. Travelers' Tales, Inc., San Francisco. 436 pages. \$17.95.*

by Renata Polt

Someone once complained, "The trouble with traveling is, wherever I go, I'm there, too."

Yes, and so is Coke, Burger King, and Round Table Pizza. But there's also *palacsinta* in Budapest, *choucroute garni* in Alsace, and *padthai* in Bangkok.

Most travelers, perhaps even the jaded character quoted above, learns that among the joys of traveling, along with museums and temples and botanical gardens, are the foods that never taste the same away from their native lands, even at the Bay Area's many ethnic restaurants. (I say most travelers because I have to make an exception for my husband's cousin, stationed for a couple of years in Switzerland, who yearned only for a package of Kraft Velveeta cheese. In Switzerland!)

The editors of the *Travelers' Tales* series (Spain, Thailand, San Francisco, A Woman's World, etc.) have been wise to recognize travel's culinary allure; the latest addition to the series is named simply *Food* and includes 52 "tales" by as many writer/travelers, a good many from the East Bay. Also included are pieces by well-known authors such as M.F.K. Fisher, P.J. O'Rourke, and Edmund White. The articles aren't uniformly terrific—would you expect them to be?—but most are a good read, either enlightening, entertaining, shocking, or a combination of the above.

First, some caveats. The section headings—"Essence of Food," "Some Things to Do," "Going Your Own Way," "In the Shadows," and "The Last Word"—are similar to the headings in other books in the series and are meant to "correspond to

different facts of gastronomic travel." But, try as I might, I couldn't see any logic to them, with the exception of "In the Shadows," whose selections reflect on the darker side of travel and food (more on that later).

Then, a few pieces have little to do with travel (for instance, El Cerrito resident Sherdy Motz's otherwise fascinating "Eating up the Mekong," set during his Vietnam war service, which stretches the definition of "travel" or with food (Oakland writer Gina Comaich's "Monsoon Cocktail," which details a trip on the Eastern & Oriental Express, with food mentioned only in passing).

Exotic locales predominate. I guess it's easier to have unusual culinary experiences in Nepal, Nairobi, or Tibet than in Switzerland, Norway, or St. Louis—but why can't writers rise to the challenge of Switzerland, Norway, or St. Louis (not to mention Berkeley or Oakland)? A few pieces are of the "suddenly I realized the meaning of [life, travel, food, youth...choose one] variety." Luckily only a few.

Finally, a word on editor Richard Sterling, a Berkeley resident and Cal graduate. Ahem—shouldn't he know how to spell *nicotiana*? And that *Tantalus* is a mythological character, not a place?

That's the bad news. Now for the good: Let me count the ways.

There's P.J. O'Rourke's brilliant essay on his experiences as a radio reporter in famine-ridden Somalia. The piece is less about food than about the lack of it, as well as the lack of a social system that makes food distribution possible. Like many of the articles, this one is excerpted from a book.

Also enjoyable: former San Francisco Examiner travel editor Don George's short but nicely observed piece on how to drink a glass of iced coffee in a Japanese café; Oakland writer Christopher P. Baker's "India on an Empty

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## More East Bay Events

## Tribute for Tien

UC Berkeley alumni, students, faculty and staff, along with University of California President Richard Atkinson, will join together Friday, Feb. 21 at 8 pm to host a special tribute in honor of outgoing chancellor and Mrs. Chang Lin-Tien. The event will feature music, dance, and dramatic performances by campus student groups; personal reflections on Tien's tenure at Cal. The event will be in Zellerbach Auditorium on the UC Berkeley campus. Admission is free, but tickets are required. Call 642-7026 for tickets and information.

## Black History Celebration

The City of Berkeley People's Park Recreation Office will host the first annual Black History Celebration on Sat., Feb. 22 from noon-3 pm. The day begins with the rich and vivid imagery of an African-American storyteller and the opportunity to create a ceramic African mask. Entertainment on stage includes the rhythms of west African drummers, the sweet sound of gospel, and the grace and vibrance of African dance. Educational storyboards will also allow you to explore the history of the great continent. For information call 644-7729.

## Fairness or Bias?

The Asian Law Journal will host a symposium on the racial and ethnic composition and attitudes of the judiciary, addressing the California and Ninth Circuit reports. The keynote speaker will be the Honorable Ming Chin, Justice of the Supreme Court of California. The event will take place on Fri., Feb. 21 from 3-5:30 pm at Wurster Hall Auditorium, Rm. 112 next to Boalt Hall School of Law on the University of California campus.

## Easy

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Eighteen years after its opening, Easy Going Travel Shop and Bookstore boasts two Bay Area locations (the other is in Walnut Creek) and offers a diverse range of services. Aside from the vast selection of books targeting everyone from the literary wanderer to the inept packer, the store carries maps, luggage, clothing, and accessories. Both the Berkeley and Walnut Creek locations regularly host travel-oriented events.

So far no store has quite managed to duplicate Easy Going's distinct character.

"We know what it's like," said Mrs. Elkins. "People are anxious about leaving home. They need to feel prepared to face new, foreign situations. And that's what we're here for."

Eighteen years ago, Thelma Elkins didn't know what a Michelin map was. Today, Easy Going Travel Shop and Bookstore is the second largest distributor of Michelin maps in California. Happy Birthday, Easy Going.

## Food

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Stomach," a horrifying yet funny account of a train trip, his hunger, and his final satisfaction; Kelly Spencer's "Baking under the Table," a vivid portrait of Glasgow, Scotland, together with an account of her love life and illegal work experiences; and Edmund White's "A Language for Food," a simple account of his daily marketing ritual in Paris.

Some of the best writing occurs in the section titled "In the Shadows." I'm thinking of M.F.K. Fisher's "There Was a Train," set in 1939 France and Italy; Kelly Simon's "Liberation Day," a bitter tale of how the end of a love affair is reflected in a couple's attitude towards food; a couple of grim pieces on food practices in Africa; and probably my very favorite, Lars Eighner's "Dumpster Diving," a cool account of the practice and ethics of well-dumpster-diving, written by an expert who's also an "accomplished needleworker." It's full of surprises.

As is *Travelers' Tales: Food*. Bon appetit.



Coming to La Peña tomorrow, Feb. 21, for two shows (8:30 and 11 p.m.), Manny Oquendo & Conjunto Libre for a West Coast celebration for their new CD. For tickets call 849-2568.

## Hello

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jewelry made of bent forks has a definite Telegraph Avenue aura.

In the furnishings department, you'll see a fanciful chair made from carved rubber tires, chaises and floor tiles of flattened soda cans, children's furniture from recycled newspapers, and lamps made from table fans or pastel Tupperware containers. Tableware is made of recycled glass, glass with bed-springs, and metal traffic signs. Among the other straightforwardly functional objects are a bicycle made with reused aluminum and kayaks crafted of polyethylene milk jugs and pickle jars.

But my favorites are the totally loony, useless objects—call them "art"—that won't hold food or keep you warm (like the dress made of safety pins). Clayton Bailey's "Marilyn Monrobot," for instance, is a pseudo-sexy construction of aluminum kitchenware, lamp shades, lawn chairs, and rubber nipples. A dog by Jerry Ross Barrish is constructed of hair brushes, bottles, a gas pedal, an umbrella handle, and other stuff.

In the historical section, the objects, many from the collection of the Ames Gallery, a Berkeley gallery specializing in folk and "out-

sider" art, are also fascinating. They include pieces made by tramps and prisoners from whatever was at hand—often cigar boxes or cigarette wrappers—into such objects as picture frames, decorative boxes, and one tall, splendid clock. (But where is that prototype of creative recycling, circa 1970—the hat of crocheted-together flattened beer cans?)

"Hello Again," which got part of its funding from the California Department of Conservation, Division of Recycling, and the Alameda Waste Management Authority, could be an inspiration to tinkers, hobbyists, and "simple life" enthusiasts. Or it can just provide amusement.

The show runs through July 27 at the Oakland Museum of California, 1000 Oak Street. Hours are 10 to 5 Wednesday through Saturday, and noon to 7 Sunday. Admission is \$5 general, \$3 seniors and students, free to museum members and children under five.

Special programs include a March 22 musical performance by the New York trio Spanish Fly, demonstrating how they "recycle" old tunes; a May 11 Eco-Fest Family Festival; and a June 22 slide lecture by Angela Lorenz titled "Over and Over: Examples of Cross-Cultural Recycling from Ancient Times to the Present." For more information, call 238-2200.

## Berkeley TV—Channel 25

Berkeley Community Media (B-TV), Channel 25, evening programming repeats the following morning; programming not listed; please check on-air program

## Thursday Feb. 20, 1996

First Time Producers—6 p.m.  
UC Berkeley Graduate School of Journalism Presents: CNS News—6:30 p.m.  
Rent Stabilization Board Meeting (LIVE)—7 p.m.

## Friday Feb. 21, 1996

Youth Speak Out—3 p.m.  
First Time Access Producers—6 p.m.  
Bay Area Country Videos—6:30 p.m.  
Video Pal Italia—7 p.m.  
Wee Poets—7:30 p.m.  
A Touch of A Poet (episode 5)—8 p.m.  
El Ojo—8:30 p.m.  
The Coffeehouse: Teru Buzz & Dewey Parker—9 p.m.  
The Green Room—10 p.m.  
Art & Education Media—11 p.m.

## Saturday Feb. 22, 1997

Who's In My Kitchen?—6 p.m.  
On The Move—7 p.m.  
Bay Views—7:30 p.m.  
Forte: Mabiba Baegne—Junjun Drumming—8:30 p.m.  
Talks by Michael Parenti—9 p.m.  
Live with Rick Sylvain—11 p.m.

## Sunday Feb. 23, 1997

Berkeley City Council Meeting (repeat 2/4/97)—9 a.m.  
BUSD School Board Meeting (repeat 2/19/97)—1 p.m.

Rent Stabilization Board Meeting (repeat 2/20/97) 6 p.m.

## Monday Feb. 24, 1997

First Time Producers p.m.; 11:30 p.m.  
Festival by the Lake with Tamiko Lloyed—6:30 p.m.  
Wee Poets—7:30 p.m.  
On The Move—8 p.m.  
Mystic Cross—8:30 p.m.  
Michael Parenti Presents—9 p.m.  
Prime Exposure—11 p.m.

## Tuesday Feb. 25, 1997

First Time Producers p.m.  
Berkeley City Council Meeting (LIVE)—7 p.m.

## Wednesday Feb. 26, 1997

First Time Producers p.m.; 11:30 p.m.  
Forte: Mabiba Baegne Junjun Drumming—7 p.m.  
Fade to Black: Black Media—7:30 p.m.  
Ethnic Health in America—8 p.m.  
The Coffeehouse: Teru Buzz & Dewey Parker—9 p.m.  
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Skyline in  
Tuesday's  
first round of  
ACCAL  
playoffs.

## Cougars' girls make it to NC

AHS faces unbeaten Piedmont today in 2nd round of ACCAL

By Peter Mentor

Albany beat Skyline 4-0 in the opening round of the Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League soccer playoffs Tuesday at Cougar Field. The victory assures the Cougars of at least two more games and a trip to the North Coast Section playoffs.

The victory propelled Albany (10-3) into the second round of the league

goals. Priesler had one goal in the first half and two in the second.

Christina Leonard was the actual game-winner, scoring the goal that sealed the victory for Albany.

Leonard also had an assist on Priesler's first goal in the 34th minute of the first half. The score gave Albany a 4-0 lead, which lasted through the rest of the game.

Priesler scored in the minute of the second half as she penetrated the Skyline defense for an open shot, finishing the upper left corner past Lady Titans goalie Jollymore.

The final tally, Priesler came with 12 minutes left in the game. Albany missed a free kick when a free kick blasted cross bar.

This was the second victory recorded by the Cougars in the playoffs this season. The first was when they met the Cougars in the Skyline.

## ACCAL Girls Soccer Playoffs

2nd Round  
Albany vs. Piedmont  
Thursday, Feb. 20  
at  
Merritt College  
Oakland

playoffs against top-seeded Piedmont (12-0) Thursday at Merritt College in Oakland.

Tuesday's game was by far the most important of the year for the Cougars. By reaching the ACCAL Final Four, Albany automatically qualifies for North Coast. Up for grabs now is a better seed at the NCS playoffs.

If Albany could beat undefeated Piedmont in the ACCAL semifinals, that alone would be a huge boost for placement at the seeding meeting this Sunday.

It would also give the Cougars a shot at winning the ACCAL crown. If Albany was to do that, the Cougars would be one of the eight ranked teams in the 16-team NCS tournament.

The Cougars were led by forward Vanessa Priesler, who scored three

If AHS can defeat Piedmont, that alone would be a huge boost for placement at the seedings meeting.

## Look out for Cougar's girls soccer again next season

By Mac Montandon

After her team's first scrimmage this year, Albany junior varsity girls soccer coach Julie Gall looked around and figured she knew what to expect in the program's initial season.

"I have to be candid," Gall said recently. "I thought there was no way we'd win one game. I was mortified."

With a roster that featured several players who had never so much as nudged a ball, and two goalkeepers equally curious and terrified of

approaching shots, Gall had reason to worry.

In the end, Gall was right about one thing: there was a zero in the Cougars' record this year — only it was on the right side, not the left.

Following last Friday's 7-0 shellacking of St. Mary's, Albany had

completed its first year with an 8-0 mark, having outscored its opponents by an incredible, 37-2 advantage.

"It was absolutely amazing," said Gall, a Southern California native with 8-1/2 years of coaching experience in the American Youth Soc-

cer Organization. "I had so many players who had never played before, and several who had some experience, and they just worked together. These girls are wonderfully mature, and they really embraced the team concept." From the beginning, the coach

stressed a reliance on the collective efforts of the squad, rather than individual brilliance. Still, a few players emerged as significant talents, and should do well on next year's varsity.

Center forward and halfback

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## Without its 'general', EC may be grounded by Pilots

By John Gardella

Six games ago, the El Cerrito High boys basketball team was fighting for the second playoff seed in the Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League's Super Powerhouse Division. It appeared as though the Gauchos and Alameda would fight for positioning down to the end of the season.

Then, EC lost point guard Jamal Jones to academics.

The Gauchos limped to the finish with a 3-3 record, including a 70-57 loss last Friday at Alameda. The Gauchos concluded their regular season Tuesday, beating hapless Kennedy (10-12, 1-9 ACCAL), 72-60.

EC recovered nicely from Friday's loss, in which it won only one quarter and made just six free throws. Against Kennedy, the Gauchos jumped out to a 34-18 halftime

lead and never looked back.

The good news for EC is that four sophomores get substantial playing time, and each appears to be an East Bay star in the making. Jovan Harris paced the team Tuesday with a game-high 21 points. He had a team-high 14 against Alameda. Emonte Jernigan added 10. The two other second-year players are Andrew Gooden and Jeremiah King.

King is the heir to Jones' spot. Yet, Huber had to thrust him into that position earlier than anticipated.

"He (King) doesn't have the court sense yet," Huber said.

The bad news?

While EC makes the playoffs with a respectable 6-5 record (16-10 overall), unofficially, the season ended Tuesday.

The Gauchos, four sophomores strong and minus a leader, face nationally ranked St. Joseph in the

first round. The Pilots blasted EC by 30 points in the ACCAL opener, and that was when EC was at full force.

"After our preseason, this is not what I anticipated for us," Huber said. "We lost Jamal Jones and that affected our leadership and our style of play."

"We play St. Joe's in the first round, meaning we have to play extremely well and play solid defense."

With a bye Friday, the Gauchos have extra time to prepare for the Pilots (22-3), who went undefeated in league and whose only losses came against nationally ranked competition.

"We'll use the time to work on execution and rebounding," Huber said. "It's almost to the point of starting over again. It's like the general left and we have to find someone else."



Gauchos' Andrew Gooden, right, may be an East Bay star of the future.

## Methodical AHS could make trouble in ACCAL

By Mac Montandon

For one half Tuesday, the Albany boys basketball team showed why no other squad in the Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League would face the Cougars when the playoffs begin next week.

At home against a tough Skyline team, coach Doug Kagawa's five were giving the visitors more than they could handle for the first 16 minutes of the game.

Never mind that the Cougars were missing three starters in the first quarter for various reasons. They led at the 17-15, and were patient on their spread-floor, patient on the offensive, patient on the defensive, they nailed the ball, then nailed the rebound.

"The way we play," Kagawa explained, "is if we spread the floor, we can control the game."

## Hapless Gauchos girls: 'I won't give up,' says coach

By John Gardella

Donna Woods isn't feeling very well.

The question remains: Is the flu the culprit or is her malady the result of El Cerrito High's recently completed girls basketball season?

"In 20 years of coaching, it's never been this bad," said Woods, whose team finished the season with just three wins, one in league play, which came in the last game of the season Tuesday, a 46-35 win over winless Kennedy. "It was a question of attitude, of kids not wanting

to cooperate with each other. We had enough talent to win some of these games."

Along with 20-plus losses, Woods watched two players walk off the team. She also suspended several players and dismissed one Monday because of poor grades.

"I've had some teams that didn't have a lot of skills, but they had all the heart in the world," Woods said. "No matter what I've tried with this team I've been unable to get through."

Woods said the team's poor attitude is institutional.

"It's a change in attitudes all over," the coach said. "It's the 'I' and 'me' generation. You see it in the classrooms."

The season's low point came Friday against Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League power Skyline.

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## Baseball Previews

# Will Yellowjackets put paper weight on EBAL?

Montandon

the Berkeley baseball team, likely track this season seems proving the critics right.

Returning the bulk of a roster finished strong last year in the Valley Athletic League, five of its last eight the Yellowjackets figure defending champion California this year in the East Athletic League.

been getting information we're supposed to be a team in the Bay Area," coach Larri Gordon said about certain local pre-polls. "I'm not sure where comes from, but I do think if we off to a good start we'll rate the season well. You can tell, but things look good."

ed, even a cursory glance mythic "paper," reveals the of this Jackets club. But, coaches and writers know paper can easily be balled thrown away.

ough Berkeley loses four to graduation, Gordon feel good knowing his top starting pitchers are returning several experienced

pitchers, Jason Young and Kiochette, have established lives as consistent winners, rated among the top prosing in the area.

ing, (a senior, who Base-

ball America recently listed among its top 20 recruits), has already been accepted to Stanford, where he is considered a star of the brightest magnitude.

"The right-hander's 80-90 mph fastball and whiplash curve can depress a batter long before he even steps in the box.

"With our experience at pitching and defense, we should be fine," Gordon said. "Last year we struggled with our hitting, but I don't think that will be a problem this year."

Helping the team improve on 1996's overall mark of 10-11, (5-7 BVAL), will be a trio of versatile, three-season varsity players: Alex Rice, Ben Graber, and James Barnes. Graber has pitched for the varsity the past two seasons, while Rice and Barnes have primarily played catcher and outfield.

Gordon, however, noted each players ability to fill in at most positions, and felt they would see a lot of time this spring in the infield.

While switching from the BVAL where De La Salle, Antioch and Pittsburg roam, might seem to guarantee the Jackets an easier course to victories, Gordon isn't so sure.

"Everyone is thinking we may get a break by not playing in the BVAL," the coach said. "But California, San Ramon, Monte Vista are all in this one (the EBAL), so I don't see it being a real advantage."



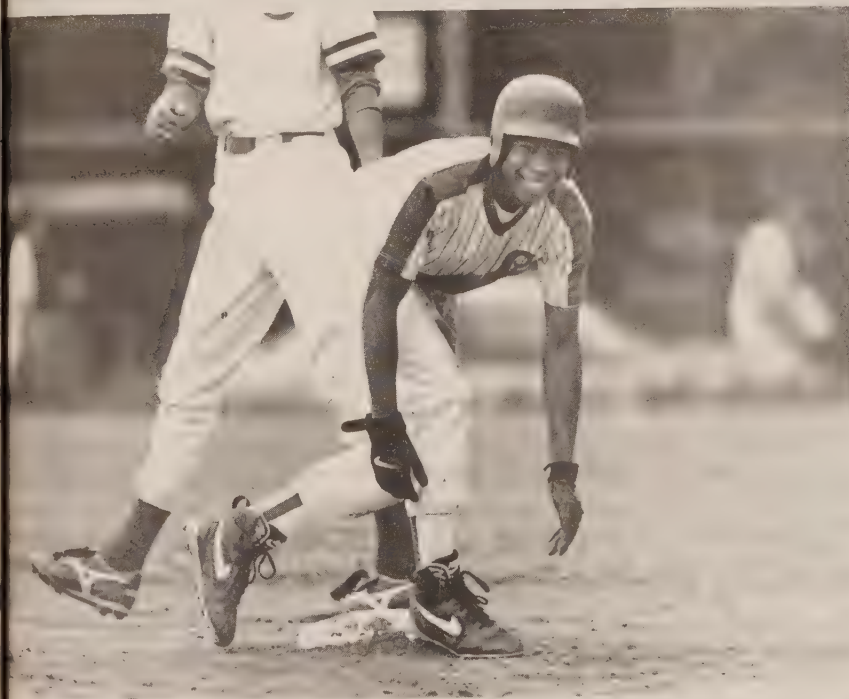
File '95  
Righthander Jason Young (shown here when he played in the North Oakland Little League) should be Berkeley's ace on the mound this season.

Berkeley opens its season at St. Mary's Feb. 28, then begins league play March 26. So, when spring prepares to wobble away weakly like a lamb, Gordon should know if his paper lion will come to life and, roaring, scare up a title.

**'I've been getting information on how we're supposed to be a Top 5 team...You never can tell, but things look good on paper.'**

— LARRI GORDON, BERKELEY BASEBALL COACH

# New coach, catcher will make SM a contender



File '95  
Panthers' coach Andy Shimabukuro says junior centerfielder Jason Blakeney (show in his NOLL days) will 'be a star.'

By John Gardella

The St. Mary's High baseball team begins its preseason Saturday at Miramonte with a new coach and a new starting catcher, as the Panthers try to build on last year's North Coast semifinals success. It's difficult to say which newcomer has the more unenviable task.

Andy Shimabukuro, an assistant at SM the past four years, replaces highly successful Bob Cruz, who relocated to San Jose. Junior catcher Matt Himmelstein steps behind the plate, taking the place of departed Mark Riddle (Chabot College), one of the top players last year in the Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League.

"I think we'll be OK," said Shimabukuro. "We are keeping the same system intact, building on what's been accomplished."

Despite the big changes, the rest of the team has a familiar look to it, as nine players return, including seven seniors, with every starter having varsity experience.

The team's strength resides on the mound, where the Panthers boast one of the better one-two punches in the league. Shimabukuro said

righties Derrick Phillips and Dave Sophus are "right up there with any one-two combo in the league."

Phillips, a 6-foot-5 power pitcher, is the ace of the staff. The senior throws in the mid-80s and com-

**'We are keeping the same system intact, building on what's been accomplished.'**

— ANDY SHIMABUKURO, NEW ST. MARY'S BASEBALL COACH

pares favorably to El Cerrito's Donny Davis, Shimabukuro said. Sophus, also a senior, complements Phillips with an above-average breaking ball.

Rounding out the battery for SM is Himmelstein. A lineman on the school's football team, the junior is a strong defensive catcher and a big target. "Matt blocks the ball well and is a take-charge kind of guy," said Shimabukuro. "He has big shoes to fill, but I really like his

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## CAL DIGEST



### Netters net win over Huskies

The Cal men's tennis team recorded its first Pac-10 win of the season, defeating Washington, 4-3, at the Hellman Tennis Complex, last Sunday. The match was close throughout as the Huskies captured Nos. 1, 2, and 4 singles. The Golden Bears were able to keep up as No. 3 Chris Santoso, No. 5 Minh Le, and No. 6 Brian Fernando all recorded singles wins.

The Bears' doubles play proved to be the difference as Cal won all three matches to claim the decisive doubles point. Cal returns to action Feb. 25 when it hosts Utah at 1:30 p.m.

### Women split

Sweeping through singles action, the Bears women's tennis team defeated the Fresno State Bulldogs, 8-1, at Hellman last Friday. Amanda Augustus led the way, winning her No. 1 singles match 6-1, 2-6, 6-3.

Francesca La'O and Claire Curran followed suit, each winning in two sets. The Bears were also successful in doubles play, winning two of three matches.

Cal returned to the court Saturday, but did not face as well against UNLV,

which won four of six singles matches, en route to a 6-3 victory.

No. 2 La'O and No. 6 Jenny Lee played well for the Bears winning their singles matches and teaming up for a win at No. 3 doubles.

Cal travels to Florida this weekend for dual meets with Miami Saturday and Florida State Sunday.

### Cards upend gymnasts

In a tight gymnastics meet, the Cal women's team fell short, losing to Stanford, 194.15-192.85.

In the all-around competition, the Cardinal lay claim to the top three spots, but Cal's Leila Khoury placed fourth with a 38.85 mark. She finished third in the floor exercise, and fourth in the vault and bars.

Cal's lone victory came in the floor exercise, where Mindy Ornellas grabbed a tie for first with a sparkling 9.90 mark.

The Bears return to the mats Friday, when they travel to Arizona State.

### Ruggers' just desserts in desert

Cal's rugby team touched down in Phoenix last Friday, but nobody told winger Todd Conneely. He was still flying Saturday, scoring six tries as the Bears beat Arizona State, 59 - 0.

Conneely, who had a hat trick within the first 20 minutes and 15 more points in the second half, praised his teammates for feeding him the ball.

"Arizona State was a little ill-disciplined defensively," the winger said. "We are an experienced team and were able to take advantage of that. We also had a speed advantage out wide."

The defending national champion Bears dominated line-outs which allowed them to launch repeated attacks on the Sun Devils' goal line. ASU was pinned deep in its own territory throughout despite an 11 - 2 penalty advantage.

Cal coach Jack Clark was simultaneously pleased and disappointed with the Bears' performance.

"It's always good to win the first game when you are on tour," he said.

In the previous week of practice, however, Clark had urged his players to seek the perfect game rather than simply winning. He didn't see the best rugby possible in Tempe. "It got a little ragged in the second half," he said, "but it is good to have a victory."

The Ruggers completed their desert sweep Monday afternoon defeating Arizona, 26 - 3.

The Bears had to battle against the Wildcats in stark contrast to their blow-

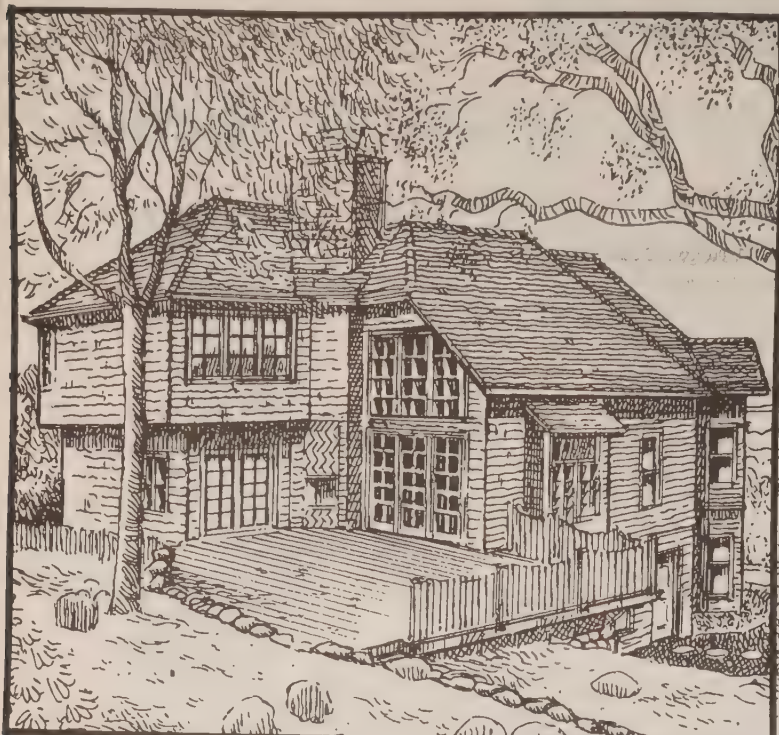
out win against ASU two days earlier. The previously undefeated Arizona squad held Cal to just one try in the first period. Fly half Dave Stroble scored 20 minutes into the game, but ASU answered immediately with a penalty.

The Bears held only that slim lead well into the second half, before gradually pulling away with three more tries. Cal prop Ted Callagy admired Arizona's strong start. "They came out hard," he said, "and we had to work to put them away."

The Bears host two international games in the coming week, playing the University of Victoria yesterday (Wednesday), and the University of British Columbia, Saturday at 1 p.m.

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Barbara Tapp

Originally built in 1892 on over an acre of steep, rural farm land, the Jensen house has been faithfully restored to its 1912 grandeur.

## Landmark lovingly restored

By Laurie Capitelli

A major restoration of an architectural masterpiece is nearing completion in North Berkeley. The Jensen House, a designated Berkeley landmark at 1675 La Loma is almost ready for occupancy. The planning, restoration and rejuvenation of the property has been undertaken by the owners Barbara Jensen Conley under the direction of Dennis Furukawa with Wildwood Construction as the general contractor.

Originally built in 1892 on over an acre of steep, rural farm land by G.P.W. Jensen, the home was one of the few structures that remained after the devastating 1923 fire that destroyed everything west of the home's hilltop location.

The home likely escaped the blaze because of the well on the property fed by a natural spring. The Jensens pumped water from the well to fight the fire, saving a few neighboring homes in the bargain. The spring continues to feed the well today; its soothing sound from the restored pump house can be heard throughout the gardens.

Jensen purchased the property from Frank M. Wilson, owner of the Daley Scenic Park Tract. A con-

tractor and builder, Jensen originally built a one-and-one-half story Queen-Anne-style clapboard cottage for his family.

Influenced by the Hillside Club philosophy of home design, he shingled the home in 1912 to harmonize with the landscape. The brown shingles with the dark green trim, the home's lush gardens and

original garden walls and fences and planters

faithfully restored to its original grandeur. The interior windows and room moldings were during the renovation with the redwood of a water tank. This material to recreate the casings on the main level.

Period-style light fixtures grace the entire original fixtures have been and remain. The three tastefully blends the character of the late 19th and centuries with modern function.

Floors throughout are white oak inlaid with non-rain forest hardwood. A central sun-filled atrium foyer and a magnificent living room doors lead to the large deck with its charming and grill.

The dining room includes wonderful views of the San Francisco Bay.

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**This beautiful architectural landmark will be open this Sun., Feb. 23 from 1 to 4 p.m.**

surroundings all serve as a visual reminder of Berkeley's North Campus before the 1923 fire.

After Jensen and his wife Hattie raised their family in the home, they passed it on to their children. Jensen's daughter Gretchen and son Edgar lived in the home and continued to improve the property.

Edgar—who was involved with his father and brother George in the family business—constructed the



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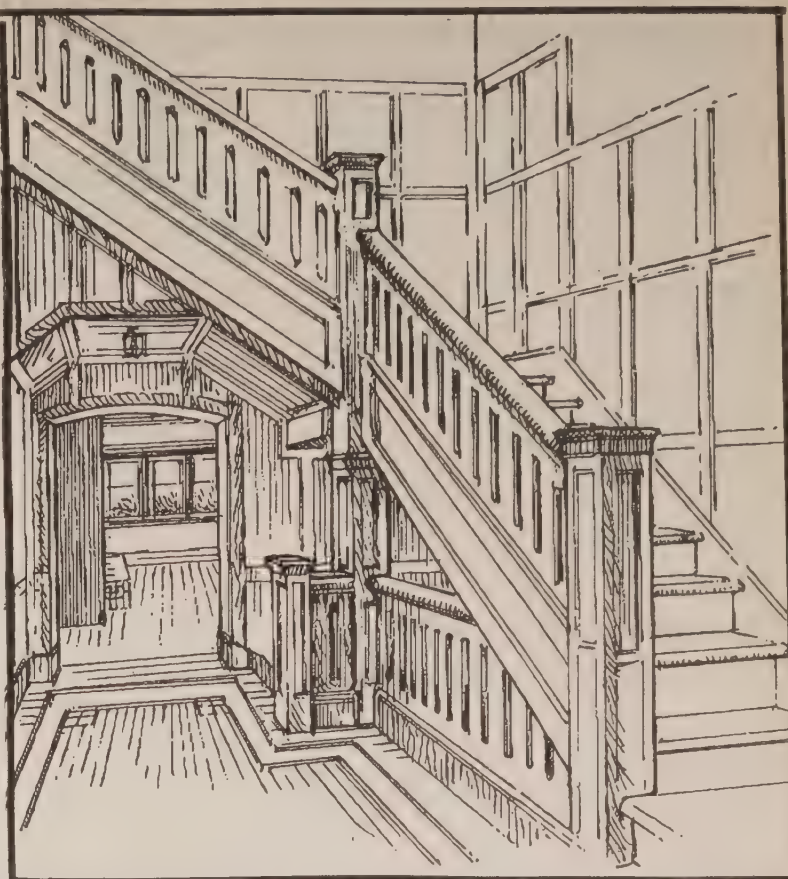
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Barbara Tapp

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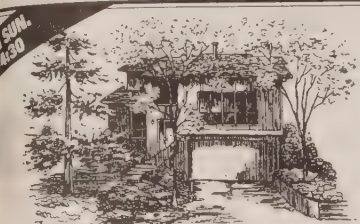
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First, consider what your family would do with their current home. If your family wants to keep its home, make sure it will have enough income to cover the monthly payments or perhaps pay off the mortgage in full. On the other hand, if the

family would likely sell the home, estimate the income generated from the proceeds of the sale minus capital gains taxes (if any). The same analysis applies to any vacation or rental property you own.

In addition, consider these possible income sources:

- **Your spouse's work income.** If your spouse works or would return to work after your death, include his/her income in your calculations.

- **Any investment income.** Include income from stock dividends or interest from bonds, money market funds, CDs or other investments.

- **Social Security.** Social Security may provide temporary benefits. Your family may qualify for some benefits for a certain time period based on your spouse's earned income and your children's ages. You

may wish to consider these benefits when totaling all sources of income.

- **Retirement Plan Assets.** If your retirement plan allows, your spouse may choose to receive a single payment of the entire account balance to help generate income after your death. However, the distribution will be fully taxable. For example, if your survivor receives a \$100,000 distribution and pays taxes at the 30 percent rate, only \$69,000 remains to generate income.

Instead, your surviving spouse may want to consider rolling over the balance into an IRA where the money will grow tax-deferred until withdrawal. However, if your spouse takes withdrawals before age 59 1/2, he or she may be subject to a 10 percent IRS penalty in addition to income taxes.

IRA assets. In addition to the options for retirement plans, your surviving spouse has another option with your IRA assets. He or she can leave your IRA assets in the existing account and maintain "beneficial control." Because the deceased's name remains on

## SMART MONEY



LEILA GOUGH

the account, withdrawals taken by the

surviving spouse, although still subject to income taxes, are not subject to the 10 percent IRS penalty because they are being taken as a result of your death.

After totaling all sources of income, compare this amount to the income you want your family to have (usually 75 percent of your income). If a gap exists, additional insurance coverage may be an appropriate solution.

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# Meeting focuses on homeowner

Homeowners will have the chance to voice their ideas and concerns with professionals from the remodeling industry, in a special meeting organized by the Splitter Club in Berkeley on Feb. 27.

The "Remodeling From Homeowner's Perspective" meeting will focus on learning from the experience of homeowners who have gone through a remodeling project.

It's also a time, according to organizers, for homeowners who are considering a remodel to get the insiders' view on what it's like and how to proceed safely.

The group hopes that the meeting will give building professionals and their support groups a

refresher course in empathy, according to Larry Hayden, one of the event's organizers and the president of the Federal Building Company.

"We want to try to identify with the homeowner's experiences, to feel their special needs before, during and after the remodel of their home," said Hayden. "Only by asking them to share these experiences with us, to feel their joy and pain will we be better able to serve them."

The format for the evening promises to be open, spontaneous and interactive. Discussion groups will be formed around five main topics: planning and expectations, dealing with demolition, construction blues and blahs, survival techniques, and lessons learned.

## Planning and expectations

For the homeowner this is the chance to learn the best way to approach a project so that the whole remodeling process goes smoothly. Sometimes homeowners leave questions unasked and make assumptions leading to later frustration.

Contractors may help offset this by preparing the client in advance for the pitfalls that can occur. That might include, for example, a discussion of the disruption and cost overruns caused by "hidden conditions".

"You may find faulty framing, faulty wiring, structural defects, or infestation. The cost and the work flow have to be adjusted for these unforeseen or hidden conditions," said Hayden.

## Dealing with Demolition

The experience of watching See SPLINTER on page 28



TARPOFF & TALBERT

#181 in a series of true experiences in real estate

Although my mother died almost eight months ago, Anet and I are still working on cleaning out her house in El Cerrito. We go there as often as we can—a couple of times a month—to sort and pack.

It's a little house. There really isn't that much in it and yet, it seems like so much. In some ways it makes me feel good to go through my mother's things and take care of them.

Bring them home to use or give them to friends and family. In another way, I know that I'm reluctant to finish the job, to make her home as she made it vanish from view.

Often when we're there, I find something that I want to ask my mom about. "Where did this come from? I've never seen it before," I want to say. Or, "Mom, I can't believe you saved this all these years."

A funny thing happened this week while we were at my mom's house, something I sure wish I could laugh with my mother over, tease her about.

We were sorting things into piles,

# Picking through the pieces, moving on

going through quilting supplies, vacation scrapbooks, and plant food in the garage when we came across a large plastic garbage can with a lid. Inside, neatly packaged, were disaster supplies—a very complete kit.

**A funny thing happened while we were working at the house, something I sure wish I could laugh with my mother over.**

Sweaters, pants, extra shoes and socks. Band-aids, Tums, antibiotic cream and such carefully wrapped. Canned foods, a tiny can opener, bottled water. Portable radio and batteries, separately packaged.

It looked as if she had followed a recommended list to the letter, then added a few things more. A pair of scissors, eating utensils and cup, plastic containers, even twine and rubber bands.

Anet said, "Well, obviously your mom's house was where we should have planned to go when disaster

struck. She was prepared to take care of herself and several others, too."

Money, toilet paper, Kleenex. Comb, mirror, soap. Candles and matches. It went on and on. Down at the bottom, wrapped in plastic, Anet found a tablet of paper, pen and pencils and—this is what was so funny—a song sheet.

"A song sheet?" I asked Anet who was laughing so hard she couldn't answer. "What kind of song sheet?"

"Good old Alice," Anet gasped. "How I loved her. There's only one song here and guess what it is? 'Oh, dear, what can the matter be?'—several verses. Can't you just see her leading the neighbors in glee."

We both collapsed in giggles. I want to call up my mother, ask her, "Mom, how come you included 'Oh, dear, what can the matter be?' in your disaster kit?"

I want to say, "Were you planning on cheering up the troops?"

I can't call her, so I called my friend Karin instead. Not long ago Karin and her brother and sisters cleaned out their family home after their mother died.

I wanted to know if they'd found surprises, things they wanted to ask their mother about.

Also I wanted to review with Karin how they had managed to See TARPOFF on page 28

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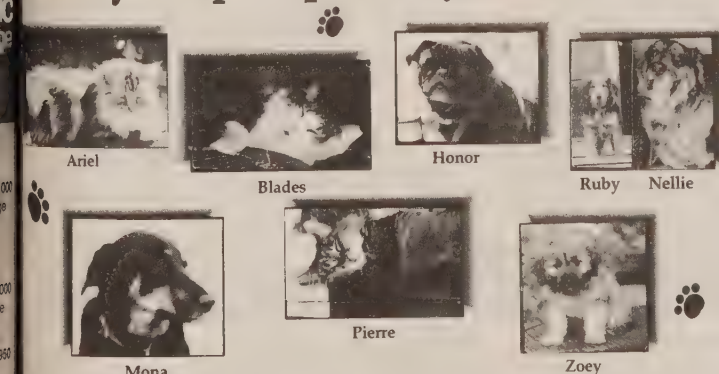
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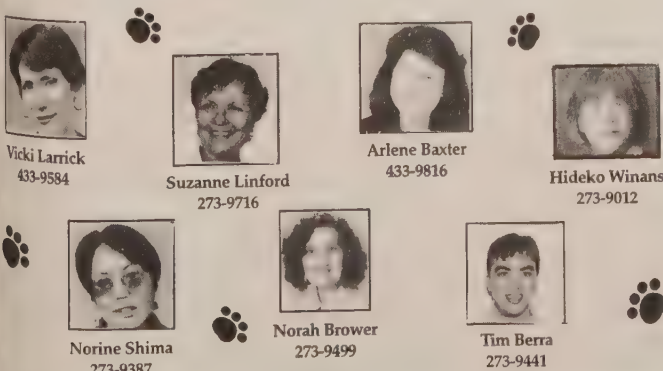
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| 11 LA SALLE AVENUE<br>A classic home w/a spacious floor plan, formal dining, family room w/fireplace and rumpus room 4 bedrooms/3 baths, level in. CONNIE ROGERS | \$569,000   | 165 LAKE AVENUE<br>A 2-story traditional home w/a beautiful kitchen w/creative design & artistic style. 3+1/2, private deck & garden. K. COOPER | \$424,000 |
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| 38 SENIOR AVENUE<br>Berkeley Hills New Construction. 4/2. 5 traditional w/hardwood floors & granite slab counters. Level-out to landscaped gardens. Filtered view of SF and the bay. JOHN KARNAY | \$599,000 | 3132 LEWISTON AVENUE<br>Berkeley Brown shingle charm on the outside, light, spacious sophistication within. Chef's kitchen, 3 fireplaces, custom library, sunny deck & garden 3/2.5 MELITTA BEESON | \$585,000 |
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### PIEDMONT

By Appointment

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| ARCHITECTURAL SPLENDOR<br>One of Piedmont's most significant and exciting homes ever. Gorgeous views as well as an award-winning English garden. Unparalleled kitchen/family room. J. SIMMONS/A. TUNNEY | \$2,300,000 | ESTATE QUALITY AND DESIGN<br>Exquisite home designed by Wm. Wurster w/Bay views, tennis court & beautifully designed garden M. SCHWARTZ.     | \$1,690,000 |
| GLORIOUS TERRACES & SF VISTAS<br>Designed w/warmth & elegance throughout. Gracious living, formal dining & intimate library by Julia Morgan. Gorgeous gardens GRUBB/TUNNEY                              | \$2,100,000 | A PRAIRIE RESIDENCE<br>Distinguished gem on 1/2 acre of landscaped grounds. Gothic-arched doorways, 7/5.5, music room & library M. SCHWARTZ. | \$1,495,000 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                         |             | HILLSIDE AVENUE<br>Walk to school and the center of town. Elegant formal rooms, landscaped grounds. 4 bdrms up. DONALD GRUBB JR.             | \$1,075,000 |

### OAKLAND

By Appointment

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| SOPHISTICATED BERKELEY VILLA<br>Live in a work of art! Unobstructed views of SF & the bay 4/3.5 w/beautifully finished interiors. JEANETTE ROACH                                  | \$895,000 | FABULOUS BUILT-IN POOL & SPA<br>Spacious home w/open floor plan. Family room, eat-in kitchen, elegant master & landscaped grounds. SHERRY BENNINGER     | \$409,000 |
| PIEDMONT SIDE OF MONTCLAIR<br>Central floor plan & wonderful views. Spacious living room & redesigned kit. w/level-out garden. ANGELA WEI GRUBB                                   | \$496,000 | DISTINCTIVE RIDGEMONT HOME<br>Contemporary home, located on a quiet cul-de-sac 4/2.5 w/ a huge master suite, eat-in kitchen & family room. S. BENNINGER | \$389,900 |
| LEVEL MONTCLAIR HOME<br>This home has four bedrooms/ three updated baths including a master large kitchen/family room combo. 2 fireplaces, patio and lovely bay view. K. BUCHHOLZ | \$409,000 | ONE-LEVEL LIVING<br>Spacious 3+ bdrm home. Open floor plan, privacy and a view of the Bay! Low-maintenance landscaping. SUSANNE PAUL                    | \$299,000 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                   |           | SWEETENING SF VIEWS<br>Sunny condominium in Upper Rockridge. Freshly painted and carpeted throughout. Perfect 1+ bdrm retreat. ANIAN TUNNEY             | \$219,000 |

### DANVILLE

By Appointment

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| BEAUTIFUL VIEWS OF MOUNT DIABLO<br>Hemingway Hacienda designed by C. Tantau & T. Church in 1937, including a gourmet kitchen w/breakfast room, elegant entertaining areas, verandah & a guest house w/1 bdrm & studio. 1.67 acres w/Mt. Diablo views. N. ROTHMAN |  | NEW EXCLUSIVE! \$995,000 |  |
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## Splinter...

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part of your home being systematically torn out can come as quite a shock to the first-time remodeler. At the same time he or she is asked to place their trust in the contractor, that it's going to be rebuilt better than before. The question then is how to cushion the homeowner against the anxiety that inevitably results.

### Blues and Blahs

There is a point in any remodel, usually around two weeks in, when the initial excitement wears off and homeowner's enthusiasm slumps. The initial flurry of activity that goes with demolition is replaced by a long period during which nothing much seems to happen. "All of a sudden what seemed like a grand adventure turns into a financial and emotional drain," said Cathy Roha, a local architect

participating in the program.

### Survival techniques

How do you keep your sanity faced with building crews intruding upon your home life and your private space every day?

The meeting will be a "consciousness raising" one for contractors, according to Roha, where they can elicit feedback from owners on the positive: What kind of things worked for you? and on the negative "What kind of things drive you crazy?"

### Lessons learned

What would you do differently, if you had the chance to do it all over?

As part of the program prizes will be awarded to homeowners for stories of the best and the worst remodeling experience.

Issues of perennial concern for homeowners, such as finding and solving leaks, will also be dis-

cussed. Specialists in structural repair, and in the design and building of kitchens and bathrooms will be on hand to answer questions.

Founded in 1985, the Splinter Group is an association through which construction trade professionals can share interests and insights, increase their knowledge and develop their professional skills.

Starting from just a handful of contractors, the membership expanded to 400 members in the wake of the Oakland hills fire of 1991.

The group became known in the East Bay with the publication of "Restore, A Sourcebook For Rebuilding," a book which provides invaluable advice for those who lost their homes in that fire.

Reservations are required, call 845-1833.

Aidan Harty is a freelance writer who lives in El Cerrito

## Become master in county program

Looking for a great way to contribute to your community, do something for the earth, and build your job skills? Then consider signing up for "Master Composter" training.

Master Composters are volunteers trained by the Alameda County Waste Management Authority's Home Composting Program. In return for free training in compost science and organic gardening, Master Composters design and complete education projects in the community.

"This is a unique opportunity for people who are interested in gardening or recycling to make a difference," said Program Coordinator Teresa Eade. "Master Composters teach others how to use natural resources wisely."

Master Composter graduate

Tahir-Umar Abdullah of Oakland taught composting to students at Prescott Elementary School, which he himself attended. "My goal is to

rest of my life."

Nearly 35 percent of Alameda County residents in the garbage can are composted at home.

Yard waste, fruit and vegetable scraps can be turned into sweet smelling compost. Compost in a yard brings additional benefits. Compost up the soil so that yards need less chemical fertilizers and pesticides.

Home composting is an important element in Alameda County's efforts to meet state and local waste reduction goals.

Twenty-five Alameda County residents will be selected to become certified Master Composters. For further information or to request an application or to request an application call the compost information line "Rotline" 635-6275.

### Home composting is an important element in Alameda County's efforts to meet state and local solid waste reduction goals.

get young people to look at a different side of what they do every day." In addition to the satisfaction of helping children learn about the environment and waste reduction, Tahir gained job skills. "I learned a lot in the class. I can use these skills for the

## Tarpoff...

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live through and complete the clearing of the house, then selling it.

Theirs was rather a more complicated project because the house was in Illinois but the children lived in California, North Carolina, and Kansas City. Except one. Karin's sister Mary lives in Illinois about a hour away from the house.

"We call her Saint Mary," Karin said. "We couldn't have done any of it without her."

It's a big house, Victorian, three stories, 13 rooms on an acre of land plus a three-story barn. The family

had lived there for 54 years, accumulated furnishings and belongings — books and tools and linens and all the things that people bring home for all that time.

When Karin's mother died, the children, spouses, and grandchildren went home to attend to things. In a week's time they went through the house, sorted, packed, and shipped boxes back to their 14 different households.

"There were no squabbles over anything," Karin says. "Everybody had a different eye. Those of us who had grown up with the oriental rugs, carved and overstuffed furniture tend toward a more minimalist decor. But our children loved the gooey

stuff, so they got it. It worked wonderfully well."

But how did they deal with the sheer volume? "Mary made an inventory. We each chose what we wanted. We got a dumpster and threw away tons."

"We laid out seemingly thousands of items on tables and the antique dealers came. We donated to the historical society, the library, the thrift shop. We gave 50 outfits to the local opera company for costumes."

"We sent aunts from out of town to the house after the funeral to take a pick — often something handmade, an embroidered tablecloth or two.

"We divided up thousands of loose photographs and many albums, records, tapes, videos among ourselves. The people who bought the house wanted some things."

"And anytime Mary said she wanted something, we said, 'It's yours.'"

Did they find any surprises? Yes, they did.

A mysterious bag of dirt in a plastic bag in the barn. Not potting soil, just dirt. Why was it there? Where had it come from? No one knows.

Their Swedish grandparents' wedding clothes. Black frock coat and trousers, stiff white collar; high-necked white laced dress. They rec-

ognized the clothes because they'd seen them all their lives — in a gilt-framed wedding portrait hanging in the house.

And probably the most valuable and surprising find of all — original Walt Disney drawings, paper cartoon strips. In a suitcase in the attic storage room, apparently packed away in the 1930s, were Mickey, Ferdinand the Bull, Pinocchio.

"Our folks didn't even let us go to the movies," Karin says. "They certainly weren't Disney fans. How did they happen to have these strips?"

It hadn't occurred to the finders that these strips might be valuable. They simply wanted to know why

they were there. And then they found out why.

The Swedish grandparents' dear friend, a man named Nader. Every Sunday Louis, a local banker, went to the grandparents' farm. He'd elegantly, always wore a fascinator to the children.

Louis Nader had another they remembered now — Nader. The strips must have Sunday dinner gift.

Pat Talbert and Aneta Talbert are licensed agents and area residents who also offer hourly estate consulting and coaching. They can be reached at 653-2018.



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Piedmont Pines, lovely & spacious home in a quiet cul-de-sac, level in, family room, large deck, low maintenance yard, close to everything, still room to expand.

MARTHA SHIN 339-8400



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3BR, 2BA contemp. terrific value. Spacious LR w/frplc, vaulted ceilings, gigantic family rm, den, bright EIK w/vaulted ceilings, master w/dck, FDR w/dck. Wonderful canyon views, lots of privacy

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Good values are few and far between this could be that value!! 2BR yard. Needs your TLC. Take a look-make an offer. Reap your reward!!

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**RESORT-LIKE IN THE EAST BAY** .....\$795,000  
Panoramic views of bay & cities, sited on 1+ acre with level lawns, swimming pool, sauna, 2 wet bars. Bold 2-story living room w/walls of glass. 10 rms!!  
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Beautiful designed & built one of kind home on level lot. Perfect family home large decks & hot tub. Must be sold March 1st.  
MEL COPLAND 339-8400

**HAL'S CASTLES - EXEC. CONTEMP.** .....\$484,400  
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**GREAT SPACE, LOCATION, YARD** .....\$349,500  
Almost 3000 sq ft and a perfect Rockridge location. Pristine hardwood floors, never-used frplc, kitchen accesses large level yard, spacious rooms include 5BR, 1+BA.  
RACHEL BALLER 339-8400

**PANORAMIC SUNSETS - 3 BRIDGES!** .....\$339,000  
Romantic hilltop retreat deck overlooks the world below. Fenced yard, large lot, quiet street, 3 bedrooms plus rumpus. Updated kitchen & bathrooms.  
LOIS C. JOHNSON 339-8400

**GRAND MEDITERRANEAN, HADDON HILL** .....\$325,000  
Beautiful 4BR, 2BA grand home, step down living room with fireplace, formal dining room, library, main level bedroom & bath, family room with access to patio & garden with many fruit trees, 2 car garage, & ample storage, well maintained. Open Sunday 2-4:30. 750 Prospect.  
CHARLENE CLAYBAUGH 339-8400x216

**GET YOUR FOOT IN THE DOOR!** .....\$305,000  
Piedmont. Good 3BR, 2BA bungalow with pleasant level gardens. Super schools. Needs your TLC and decorating touches.  
LYN MURRAY 339-8400

**STUNNING STYLE, CLOSE-IN LOCATION** .....\$299,000  
Clear redwood paneling, walls of glass & 2 brick frpls! Put patio off kitchen and level yard from RRI! Cathedral ceiling. A fab opportunity. 2/3BR & 2BA.  
RACHEL BALLER 339-8400

**CROCKER TRAD W/DOWNTOWN VIEW** .....\$290,000  
3BR, 1.5BA, living room w/frplc, family room w/eating area, hwdw frs, beautiful gardens with large deck, view of Lake Merritt & downtown, large bonus rooms for home office or play. Open Sunday: 2-4:30, 695 Calmar Avenue.  
CHARLENE CLAYBAUGH 339-8400x216

**VIEW HOME IN COUNTRY SETTING** .....\$279,500  
Flexible floor plan can be 5 bedrooms or 4 bedrooms & rumpus room, family room off kitchen, main level bedroom & bath, gorgeous master suite with bay view. Open Sunday: 2-4:30, 3341 Brunell  
CHARLENE CLAYBAUGH 339-8400x216

**TRIPLEX, INVEST OR OCCUPY!** .....\$277,000  
Exceptional triplex, 2 garages. Excellent condition, 3 yr old roof, common laundry, walk to Lake & transportation, 2-2 bedrooms & 1 studio. Steady tenants  
CHARLENE CLAYBAUGH 339-8400

**ATTN: CONTRACTORS/INVESTORS!** .....\$275,000  
Grand Lake area. zoned R-70. Huge 12 room house on corner lot. Now used as a rooming house. Annual income approximately \$42,000.  
KEN FERRELL 339-8400

**HILLTOP CONTEMPORARY VALUE!** .....\$239,000  
Just listed! Roomy 4BR, 2.5BA with big family room. Classy updated kitchen, brick fireplace, fresh paint, low maint yard. Move-in condition!  
STEVEN BIASATTI 339-8400 x239

**SAVVY INVESTOR?** .....\$225,000  
Great opportunity, 4 charming, spacious units, close to downtown, and all transportation, owner sacrifice, selling over 100K below assessed value. Hurry.  
PATRICIA BENNETT 482-9000

**THE FRUIT TREES ARE BLOOMING!** .....\$212,000  
Over 1/3 acre w/fenced back yard & glorious landscaping! Oakland Hills 3BR, 2BA sep DR, family rm- all on one level! 2 car garage with separate shop!  
ANIDA WEYL 339-8400

**BEAUTIFUL CRAFTSMAN** .....\$209,000  
Spacious 2-story trad w/gleaming hardwood floors, remodeled kitchen and bath. Expandable attic and level yard. Quiet street near Lake Merritt.  
LYN MURRAY 339-8400

**HAL'S CASTLES - PANO BAY VIEW** .....\$196,000  
180 degree bay view! Top of the hill, 3BR, 2BA, patio & yard. Hardwood, tiled kitchen, 2 fireplaces. Attached garage.  
HAL CASTLE 339-8400

**GREAT DIMOND DUPLEX** .....\$189,000  
Walk to shops & transportation. 1 unit has 2+BR's, the other 3BR's, large lot w/room for additional units  
HARRY KRESS 339-8400

**BROADWAY TERRACE CONDO** .....\$179,500  
Move-in condition 2BR, 2BA in lovely building within walking distance of Rockridge shops. Restaurants, bookstores and more. A good place to start.  
NICK LAVROV 339-8400

**GRAND VICTORIAN AWAITS YOU!** .....\$178,888  
Open Sunday! 2-4:30pm, 2128 E. 24th Street. Stately, fully updated & restored. 4BR, 2BA, double-parlor New kitchen w/French doors to garden. OMC 2nd.  
STEVEN BIASATTI 339-6160x239

**ROCKRIDGE STARTER** .....\$169,500  
Cute, cute, cute 1915 vintage with open floor plan highlighted by great brick fireplace, private patio off kitchen, great security system, and a best street & walk-to BART location.  
RACHEL BALLER 339-8400

**IN-LAW & SWEET HOME** .....\$169,000  
Charming traditional 3BR hardwood floors, fireplaces, beautiful rose garden, updated kitchen, cozy in-law suite, close to freeway & parks. Seller motivated.  
MARTHA SHIN 339-8400

**LOWER GLENVIEW FIXER!!** .....\$165,000  
Good values are few and far between. This could be that value!! 2BR yard. Needs your TLC. Take a look - make an offer. Reap your reward!!  
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**THE REGILLUS AT LAKE MERRITT** .....\$159,500  
Old world elegance w/grand-sized room, crown moldings, wood burning fireplace, doorman services & updated eat-in kitchen. 2BR, 2BA, lake & garden views.  
ANIDA WEYL 339-8400

**STYLISH CITY LIVING** .....\$144,000  
Stylish end unit condominium that has been exquisitely remodeled with granite countertop, maple cabinets, sub-zero refrig & much more! Mt Tam view, too!  
LYN MURRAY 339-8400

**HAL'S CASTLES - CONDOMINIUM** .....\$129,000  
Exclusive 1131 sq ft above H# 13. One level. Security garage & entry. View deck of pastoral hills. Walk to shopping & transportation. 2 bedrooms. Newer kitchen. 16 units total.  
HAL CASTLE 339-8400

**OLDER HOME NEEDS NEWER OWNER** .....\$129,000  
Traditional 1920's bungalow near Mills College. Features include hardwood floors, fireplace laundry room, large kitchen partial basement w/spare room, detached garage, more.  
NICK LAVROV 339-8400

**CHOICE HILL AREA LOT** .....\$69,000  
Wooded, moderate slope. Possible South Bay views.  
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**BUILDABLE LOT** .....\$60,000  
Upper 1/2 acre almost flat choice area!! Probate sale opportunity to build your dream home. Call for details.  
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## Area Home Sales

**ALAMEDA**  
 Anderson Rd. - \$351,000  
 Anderson Rd. - \$319,000  
 ... - \$250,000  
 ... - \$289,500  
 ... - \$273,000  
 Harbor Rd. - \$190,000  
 ... - \$185,000  
 ... - \$252,500  
 ... - \$234,000  
 ... - \$203,000

22 Salmon Rd. - \$384,000  
 820 Taylor Ave. - \$200,500  
**ALBANY**  
 924 Cornell Ave. - \$290,000  
 623 Jackson St. - \$217,500  
 535 Pierce #3109 - \$149,000  
 535 Pierce #3302 - \$160,000  
 535 Pierce #3311 - \$144,000  
 555 Pierce #620 - \$120,000  
 533 Talbot Ave. - \$249,000  
**BERKELEY**

1442 6th St. - \$250,000  
 2116 7th St. - \$161,000  
 2900 California - \$130,000  
 1351 Hearst Ave. - \$165,000  
 171 Hill Rd. - \$270,000  
 832 Indian Rock - \$420,000  
 975 Indian Rock - \$324,000  
 1521 Julia St. - \$115,000  
 1226 Kains Ave. - \$152,500  
 1075 Keith Ave. - \$101,500  
 1320 Northside - \$175,000  
 2619 Parker St. - \$246,000  
 2008 Russell St. - \$110,000  
 1679 San Lorenzo - \$230,000  
 2249 Spaulding - \$120,000  
 2327 Stuart St. - \$269,000  
 3025 Wheeler St. - \$225,000  
**EL CERRITO**  
 1515 Elm St. - \$132,500  
 602 Richmond St. - \$151,000  
**EL SOBRANTE**  
 905 Appian Knoll - \$144,500  
 2500 Heide Ct. - \$215,000  
 28 Martins Ln. - \$359,000  
 5635 S. Pablo Dam - \$119,000  
 5122 Valley View - \$170,000  
**EMERYVILLE**  
 6363 Christie #301 - \$105,000  
**KENSINGTON**  
 314 Vassar Ave. - \$419,500

**OAKLAND**  
 1490 Adeline St. - \$175,000  
 6419 Ascot Dr. - \$295,000  
 5 Ashmont Way - \$349,000  
 37 Bay Forest Ct. - \$420,000  
 10097 B'dway Trce - \$506,000  
 5233 B'dway Trce - \$290,000  
 240 Caldecott #164 - \$215,000  
 3126 California - \$215,000  
 9911 Caloden St. - \$240,000  
 5555 Carlton St. - \$357,500  
 151 Catron Dr. - \$145,000  
 6822 Charing Cross - \$310,000  
 584 Crestmont Dr. - \$250,000  
 4814 Davenport - \$181,000  
 7501 Deerwood - \$135,000  
 3435 Diamond Ave. - \$124,000  
 2902 E. 22nd St. - \$139,500  
 4727 El Centro Ave. - \$220,000  
 40 Eucalyptus Rd. - \$345,000  
 4508 Fleming Ave. - \$145,000  
 5000 Fleming Ave. - \$104,000  
 5301 Fleming Ave. - \$103,000  
 4111 Gilbert St. - \$157,000  
 7407 Greenly Dr. - \$159,000  
 975 Grosvenor Pl. - \$355,000  
 5940 La Salle - \$290,000  
 2324 Lakeshore, 201 - \$173,000  
 5524 Laverne Ave. - \$121,000  
 2416 Linden St. - \$121,000

6410 Longcroft Dr. - \$440,000  
 4184 Manila Ave. - \$180,000  
 3172 Monticello - \$155,000  
 5827 Moraga - \$289,000  
 65 Sereno Cir. - \$239,500  
 10401 Shaw St. #402 - \$80,000  
 492 Staten #803 - \$174,000  
 4321 Steele St. - \$163,500  
 4248 Suter St. - \$143,000  
 6140 Valley View - \$270,000  
 7 Van Sicken - \$322,000  
**PIEDMONT**

111 Estates Dr. - \$634,000  
 29 Wildwood Gdns - \$463,000  
**SAN LEANDRO**

1167 136th Ave. - \$262,000  
 1618 137th Ave. - \$166,500  
 1470 142nd Ave. - \$132,000  
 1599 152nd #A-B - \$174,000  
 13848 Aurora Dr. - \$180,000  
 14745 Bancroft - \$131,000  
 261 Caliente Dr. - \$114,000  
 877 Chico Dr. - \$148,000  
 2222 Compass Cove - \$242,000  
 276 Dabner St. - \$163,000  
 1590 Daniels Dr. - \$380,000  
 454 Dolores Ave. - \$165,000  
 15233 Elvina Dr. - \$159,500  
 2325 Fairway Dr. - \$90,000  
 15123 Flying Mist - \$301,500  
 1106 Mersey Ave. - \$153,000  
 14736 Midland Rd. - \$110,000  
 1510 Rake Ct. - \$140,000  
 13654 School St. - \$190,000  
 15116 Shining Star - \$272,000  
 15128 Shining Star - \$324,500  
 746 Sybil Ave. - \$186,000  
 14570 Sylvia Way - \$151,000  
**SAN LORENZO**

2022 Bandoni Ave. - \$159,000  
 16167 Channel St. - \$157,000  
 16030 Silverleaf - \$251,000  
 16127 Silverleaf - \$243,000  
 614 Tulsa St. - \$160,500  
 17069 Via Chiquita - \$145,000  
 15730 Via Colusa - \$165,000  
 1248 Via Corolla - \$130,500  
 15917 Via Media - \$195,000  
 15764 Via Sonata - \$190,000  
 191 Via Viento - \$164,000  
**SALES STATS BY CITY**

**ALAMEDA**  
 TOTAL SALES: 12  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$185,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$384,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$260,958

**ALBANY**  
 TOTAL SALES: 7  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$120,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$290,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$189,928

**BERKELEY**  
 TOTAL SALES: 17  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$101,500  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$420,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$203,764

**EL CERRITO**  
 TOTAL SALES: 5  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$132,500  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$151,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$141,750

**EL SOBRANTE**  
 TOTAL SALES: 5  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$119,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$359,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$201,500

**KENSINGTON**  
 TOTAL SALES: 1  
 PRICE: \$105,000

**OAKLAND**  
 TOTAL SALES: 40  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$80,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$506,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$227,400

**PIEDMONT**  
 TOTAL SALES: 2  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$463,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$634,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$548,500

**SAN LEANDRO**  
 TOTAL SALES: 23  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$90,000  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$380,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$188,478

**SAN LORENZO**  
 TOTAL SALES: 11  
 LOWEST PRICE: \$130,500  
 HIGHEST PRICE: \$251,000  
 AVERAGE PRICE: \$178,181

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## OAKLAND / PIEDMONT

**INCLUDED AND SERENE** \$210,000  
 ... around - San Francisco, bay, bridges, Lake Merritt. Private Tudor  
 ... BR, 5+BA, plus libraries, au pair. R. JELLISON 428-0900, 644-5401

**WANT CONDITION CRAFTSMAN** \$329,000  
 ... brown shingle from 1914 has been perfectly restored & updated!  
 ... spacious (2,300+ sq. ft.) with large, level fenced yard & garden! Great  
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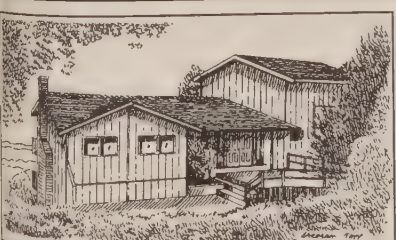
**OVER SIZED DELIGHT!** \$229,500  
 ... the space you want in this Albany 2BR. Huge basement with great  
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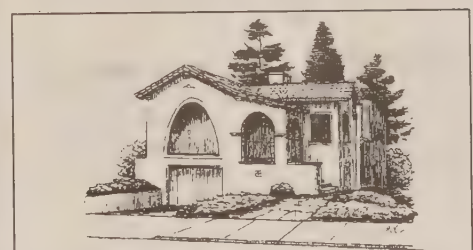
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4093 MAPLE. Cute two bedroom starter with bay view, large yard. Upper... \$169,500  
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# Mortgage rates up; home sales decline

On February 13 the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation's (Freddie Mac) Primary Mortgage Market Survey showed that the nationwide average for the 30-year fixed rate mortgage for the week fell 9 basis points from last week's average of 7.74 percent to 7.65 percent, the lowest the 30-year fixed has averaged this year.

In the second week of February, 1996, this bellwether rate stood at 6.94 percent.

The average start rate for the one-year Treasury-indexed adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) rose a single basis point from last week's average of 5.51 percent to 5.52 percent.

In the second week of February, 1996, the national average one-year ARM start rate was 5.19 percent.

This week's average for 15-year fixed rate mortgages, a popular option in the refinancing market, is 7.14 percent, down 11 basis points from last week's average of 7.25 percent. This is the lowest the 15-year fixed has averaged since Dec. 13, 1996, when it stood at 7.06 percent.

A year ago, the average 15-year interest rate was 6.44 percent.

"The Commerce Department reported this week that new home sales declined by about 1 percent in December, and the National Association of Realtors reported that existing home sales declined by over

3 percent," said Freddie Mac Deputy Chief Economist Frank Nothaft.

"The Federal Reserve's action to leave monetary policy unchanged should help promote an affordable mortgage market over the next few weeks, in which case we expect to see a rebound in the housing figures."

This year Freddie Mac celebrate the 26th consecutive year of the Primary Mortgage Market Survey, having tracked mortgage interest rates since 1971.

Freddie Mac is a stockholder-owned corporation chartered by Congress in 1970 to create a continuous flow of funds to mortgage lenders. The organization supplies lenders with the money to make mortgages and then packages these mortgages into marketable securities.

In this way Freddie Mac sustains a stable mortgage credit system and reduces the mortgage rates paid by homebuyers. Over the years, Freddie Mac has opened the doors for one in six homebuyers in America.

On January 31 the Federal Home Loan Bank Board pegged the 11th District Cost of Funds Index (COFI) for February payments at 8.42 percent, up less than a single basis point from the 8.35 percent that was in effect for January payments. The COFI is the index widely used by the savings and loan industry for its adjustable rate mortgages.

# Coldwell Banker offers home comparison index

A 2,200-square-foot home in Montclair costs \$344,833 and in Pleasanton \$348,243, compared to \$745,666 for a similar-sized home in Beverly Hills according to the results of Coldwell Banker's just released "Home Price Comparison Index". The annual survey compares the average sales price of a "subject home" with those in nearly 300 markets across North America.

"This study is demonstrative of the economic diversity in home values across the country, showing a wide contrast in home prices between America's most affordable and most expensive markets," said Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage Northern California President and COO Larry Knapp.

"For example, a buyer of a 2,220-square-foot home in Oklahoma City with the average price of \$99,333 would have to pay nearly eight times more, nearly \$677,000, for a similar-sized home in Beverly Hills."

Oklahoma City, Okla. topped the Coldwell Banker list of most affordable homes in America for the second consecutive year, while Beverly Hills continues to hold the distinction of the most expensive market. The city named as America's most average-priced market to purchase a home in Anchorage, Alaska.

The Coldwell Banker survey compares the average sales price of homes in the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico, sold during the fourth quarter of 1996. The "subject home," a single-family

dwelling with four bedrooms, two and one-half baths, family room and two-car garage, is typical for corporate middle-management transferences.

According to the survey, the Northeast region of the United States has the highest average price of the subject home, \$242,806, followed by the West, \$238,123, the Midwest, \$174,617, and the Southeast, \$153,370. The average price of all homes surveyed rose approximately 3.7 percent to \$205,886 compared to \$198,467 last year.

The Coldwell Banker Home Price Comparison features an index number for each market and easy-to-use formula that helps consumers quickly calculate the cost to replace their home in another location.

In 1996, Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage was recognized as the largest residential real estate firm in the nation in annual surveys compiled by *REAL Trends* and *National Relocation & Real Estate* publications.

Consumers can get their free copy of the 1997 Home Price Comparison Index brochure by calling (800) 464-4292.

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## Events

The Events Calendar does not accept for-profit listings. Announcements for these events can be made in our classified section by calling 339-8777. Listings are made on a space available basis.

The nonprofit Building Education Center (BEC), 812 Page St., Berkeley is the place to start your dream home or to start turning your home into a dream. On Sat., Feb. 22: BEC presents Kitchen Cabinet and Counter Installation and Drywall Finishes: Hands-On. On Sun., Feb. 23 the center hosts Tom Bresson's Landscape Watering Systems. The center will round out February with Alan Lynn's Steel Framing Primer 7 to 10 p.m. Mon., Feb. 24 and John Ploss's Preconstruction: The Design and Planning Process, 7 to 10 p.m., Wed., Feb. 26. Call BEC at 525-7610 for more information.

Truitt & White Lumber Co. announces sponsorship of "Tools for Success: Essential Business Seminars for the Professional Builder." The second in a series of four workshops "Understanding Construction Contracts and Lien Rights" will be held from 8:30 a.m. to noon, Sat., Feb. 22 at the Holiday Inn Bay Bridge, 1800 Powell St., Emeryville. Learn the basics of securing mechanic's lien rights and the dynamics of a construction contract. Don't miss this opportunity to develop and refine your business. A buffet breakfast will be provided. Call Truitt & White at 841-0511 for reservations and more information.

Countrywide Home Loans and the Berkeley Association of Realtors host a Mini Mortgage Finance Workshop, 10 a.m. to noon, Tues. Feb. 25 at the association offices, 1533 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way, Berkeley. Realtors can learn to

market FHA, VHA, PERS products. Seating limited. Call René Hebacker at Guyton-Johnson at 208- Feb. 20th.

Truitt & White Lumber Co. invites you to win out in rain. Join Greg Caruso Construction as he presents seminar Foundation and Drainage Systems. Home, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., Feb. 22 at 642 Hearst Ave. in Sanborn. Reservations are required. 2674

The Hillside Garden Center invite you to a programing Phillip Greig's presentation Container Color with Barbara a.m., Tues. Feb. 25 at the Miller Community Center, Sanborn Dr., Oakland. Lunch, coffee and tea will be provided. Call 531-6329 for information.

The Splinter Group invites to its dinner meeting, Sat. Thurs. Feb. 27, at the Maybeck-designed Hillside House, 2286 Cedar St. Homeowners are invited to participate in Remodeling From Owner's Perspective. Prizes will be awarded for the smartest remodeling step. 845-1833 for reservation information.

San Francisco's Pier 39 you to Tulipmania from March 1 to Sun. March 31 guided tours of the tulip field will be presented daily at 10 a.m. Enjoy 65 varieties of aesthetically arranged in container groups throughout the 39's two levels. Complimentary refreshments at Chic's. See EVENTS on page 30.

# Call county to get rid of household, hazardous waste

This weekend may be the time to clean out the garage or get rid of that unsightly pile in the back yard or the back corner of the house.

Perhaps you've been putting off the task because of "things" lying around you just don't know what to do with: the rest of that varnish from when you finally got around to finishing that table, the oil from the last time you decided to save money and change the oil in the car yourself and or the half a can of

smelly insecticide that worked so well on those invading ants (it's no wonder they left!)

If there were a way to quickly and conveniently rid your household of these unwanted items, you'd certainly want to know about it. Well, Alameda County Household and Hazardous Waste may be your answer.

Call the Alameda County Household and Hazardous Waste at (800) 606-6006.

# Gardening books to loan

The Oakland East Bay Garden Center Inc. has a library with emphasis on books on plants, gardening and horticulture. The library has 300 reference books available for use at the library and 900 circulating books that circulate for a period of 30 days.

The books are available to all Bay Area residents for the small annual fee of \$2. The library is open Thursdays 11:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (except holidays). For more information call 482-5252.

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\$219,000 4041 MAYBELLE, OPEN SAT. 2-4. A 3 BD, 2 1/2 BA home with large rooms, wide hallway, huge rec room, workshop area in 2-car garage & huge workshop area in basement! Patio in backyard with built-in planter & large tool shed! Kathy Hirsch 814-4706

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\$179,500 2555. A Wonderful 3 BD, 2 1/2 BA home in PENDING! Entry, upgraded kitchen, bakery & garage! Terry Lee 521-3352

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\$219,000 15829 DEVONWOOD. Lots of upgrades in this 4 BD, 2 1/2 BA Heritage home! Seven years young, family room, fireplace, 2-car garage! Close to Parking, shopping, park & schools! Bay & George Williams 522-7173

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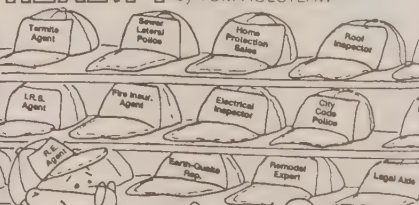
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 from around the world with their  
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 owners in Oakland by joining  
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 needed to plan and coordinate ac-  
 tivities for this annual rebuilding  
 day. Call Jan LeGassick for more  
 information.

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# YOUR WEEKEND GUIDE OPEN HOMES

## OAKLAND Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm

60 MAZUELA, Montclair Valle Vista, 4900 sq. ft., 6 1/4, gourmet kitchen \$925,000  
 Mason-McDuffie, Barbara Hopper 845-0200/635-4839 SAT & SUN 2-4:30  
 61 MAZUELA, Under construction, 4/4 w/flat mstr retreat, bay wvl \$899,000  
 Mason-McDuffie, Barbara Hopper 845-0200/635-4839 SAT & SUN 2-4:30  
 62 MAZUELA, 4bd/3 1/2, Montclair Valle Vista, study, triple garage \$889,000  
 Mason-McDuffie, Barbara Hopper 845-0200/635-4839 SAT & SUN 2-4:30  
 63 BEECHWOOD, Claremont Pines 4bd/3+ba colonial \$775,000  
 Mason-McDuffie, Gene Boomer 869-4202  
 64 SHERIDAN RD, Upr Rockridge custom trad'l, 4bd, office, 3ba \$769,000  
 Better Homes, Darcy Diamante 339-1174  
 65 ACACIA, Claremont Pines 5bd/3+ba w/gorgeous bay views \$675,000  
 Gadsby & Associates, Joe 748-5300  
 66 SHEPHERD CANYON RD, Montclair 4 1/2, custom, level lot \$569,000  
 Mason-McDuffie, Mel Copland 339-2105 OPEN SUNDAY 2-5  
 67 RUTLAND, Montclair 4+bd/2 1/2, nwl gorgeous Mediterranean \$569,000  
 845-6885 or message 800-732-8651 OPEN SUNDAY 1-5  
 68 SHERIDAN RD, New listing, Rockridge 3bd/3+ba, family rm, 2 frpl \$565,000  
 Better Homes, Thomas Wurst 339-6460  
 69 SKYLINE, Hillcrest Estates, 4bd/3+ba vw home, price reduced \$549,000  
 Mason-McDuffie, Gene Boomer 869-4202  
 70 SUNNYHILLS RD, Crocker Highlands enchanting 4/3 Normandy \$499,000  
 Better Homes, Marilyn Bremser 339-1174  
 71 WOOD CL, Montclair, pristine 3/2 w/piano SF views, hdwd, level-in \$489,000  
 The GRUBB Company, Kurt Buchholz 339-0400  
 72 BROADWAY TER, Montclair 3+bd/2 1/2, fab 4-bridge view \$469,000  
 Better Homes, Adrienne Broche 339-1174  
 73 SUNNYHILLS, English style 4/2, 2-story, updt kit opens to yd \$435,000  
 Better Homes, Donna Conroy 339-1174  
 74 CHABOT RD, Rockridge sunny Med, FDR, beautiful Indscaping \$419,000  
 The GRUBB Company, Mindy Scott 339-0400  
 75 CALDWELL RD, Montclair, new listing! elegant 3/2, FDR, yd \$419,000  
 Wells & Bennett, Wendy Callaghan 839-9197  
 76 Ocean View Dr, Lovely 3bd Med +sep inlaw, nr Rockridge shops \$410,000  
 T. Ward Realtors, Barbara Wilcox 845-3941 X232 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4  
 77 HARBOR DR, Rockridge, 3 1/2 colonial, patio off DR & LR \$375,000  
 The GRUBB Company, Josephine O'Shaughnessy 339-0400  
 78 ASPENWALL RD, Montclair, 4/4, spec. flr plan, lg patio, decks \$365,000  
 The GRUBB Company, Bettina Balestrieri 339-0400  
 79 FLORENCE TER, Montclair 2bd/2ba, new listing! landscaped \$349,500  
 Pacific Union, Joan Daniel 339-6460  
 80 HOLYROOD, Piedmont Pines 3bd/2+ba custom contemporary \$349,500  
 Mason-McDuffie, Gene Boomer 869-4202  
 81 JOHNSTON DR, Montclair, 5bd/3+ba, sunny, level-in, on \$349,500  
 845-4343, hills view, Joel Kirschbaum 254-6180 OPEN SUNDAY 1-5  
 82 KIMBERLEY CT, Piedmont Pines 3bd/2ba, quiet cul-de-sac \$349,000  
 Better Homes, Vicki Case 339-4000  
 83 BRUNELL DR, 3bd/2ba contemporary, vacant, nds some fix-up \$339,500  
 Gadsby & Associates, Bill 748-5300  
 84 ALMA PLACE, Crocker Highlands 3+bd/2ba, lovely yd, mstr suite \$339,000  
 Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Nancy Lehnrich 653-8092  
 85 PROSPECT AVE, Haddon Hill 4/2, 1st time open, grand Med \$325,000  
 Better Homes, Charlene Claybaugh 444-7653  
 86 FLORENCE, Upr Rockridge 2bd trad, new bath, lg veranda off kit \$324,000  
 The GRUBB Company, Debra Dryden 339-0400  
 87 387 CAPRICORN, Mtclair 3bd, charm, +1/1 cottage, frpl, deck \$319,000  
 The GRUBB Company, Karen Starr 339-0400  
 88 MANDANA BL, Crocker 3bd/2+ba Impressive fixer, deep lot \$319,000  
 Better Homes, Jim Schubert 436-6683  
 89 ALDA, Lincoln Heights 5bd/4ba, lg family room, 2 fireplaces, \$309,950  
 845-1400, inlaw potential, National Real Estate Services, Charles Rivers 482-2380  
 90 LONGRIDGE RD, Crocker 3/2 ranch, hdwds, remod kit, pvt yd \$309,000  
 Better Homes, Adriana Giacometti 339-1174  
 91 WARFIELD AVE, Lakeshore sunny bright 2-story trad, deck, yd \$305,000  
 Better Homes, Karen Lum 339-1174  
 92 LEONA, County in the city! 3/2, pool, wooded views, nw price \$299,999  
 Wells & Bennett, Jackie Carter 531-7000  
 93 TERRABELLA, Oakland Hills 3 1/2, frpl, kit w/deck, sep dining \$299,000  
 The GRUBB Company, Angela Wei Grubb 339-0400  
 94 COOLIDGE AVE, Mormon Temple district, 3/2, bay vw, 2 frpl \$299,000  
 Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Kerry Yip 268-9028  
 95 WILSHIRE BL, Lincoln Hts 3bd/2ba, rumpus w/frpl, bay view \$299,000  
 Pacific Union, Dick Cohen 339-6460  
 96 CABOT DR, Montclair 3/2, stunning style, wkshop, 2 frpl, grt yd \$299,000  
 Better Homes, Harry Kress 331-2140  
 97 CALMAR AV, Crocker Highlands, 1st time open! 3 1/4, gardens \$290,000  
 Better Homes, Charlene Claybaugh 444-7653  
 98 MERIEWOOD, Montclair 3bd/2ba, bay view contemporary \$289,500  
 Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Elisabeth Belle 644-5452  
 99 MANDALAY RD, Upr Rockridge 2/1, updt kit, frpl, art studio \$289,000  
 Better Homes, James Duffy 339-1174  
 100 PASO ROBLES, Just listed, upgrades thru-out! gorgeous 4/2 \$279,900  
 Mason-McDuffie, Adrienne Nash 834-2010  
 101 CONRAD CT, Montclair 2bd/1ba charming trad, FDR, level yard \$278,000  
 Pacific Union, Donna Costella 339-6460  
 102 GUYEN DR, New listing! Montclair 3 bdrm w/spectacular views, \$276,000  
 845-1400, lots of updates, new kitchen, Millennium 834-2555 SUNDAY 1-4:30  
 103 MALCOLM, Chabot Park, 3bd/2ba, fabulous garden room! \$269,500  
 Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Bob Sereda 869-4258  
 104 MORAGA AV, 4bd/2ba, great house/great location, take a look \$264,500  
 Gadsby & Associates, Lois 748-5300  
 105 ELSTON AV, Glenview, 1st open! 3bd/2b Spanish Med, charm \$259,000  
 Wells & Bennett, Nancy Novick 482-2392

533 WESTFIELD WAY, Crestmont, 8 rooms, 4bd/2ba, open floor \$255,000  
 plan, view, cul-de-sac, Valva RE, Mike Bresso 451-7317 SUNDAY 2:30-4:30  
 4224 LA CRESTA, Sunny 4bd/2ba, new kit, remod bath, lg rear yd \$249,900  
 Wells & Bennett, Don Dunning 482-2256  
 3621 REDWOOD RD, Charming English 3bd/1 1/2, fab kitchen! \$239,000  
 Better Homes, Ken Farrell 339-8400  
 4284 HOWE, nr Piedmont Ave, 3bd/2ba w/best blend of old & new! \$239,000  
 Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Mark Miller 893-5030  
 4732 REINHARDT DR, Redwood Hts 2/1, new listing! grt yd, deck \$229,000  
 Better Homes, Victor Fiero 339-8400  
 3804 EVERETT AVE, Glenview, 2+bd/1ba, new listing, quiet street \$225,000  
 Better Homes, Arnold Mueller 339-4000 OPEN SUNDAY 2-5  
 3526 MONTEREY BL, Super clean 2bd/2b, Redwd Hts, oversized lot \$224,500  
 Wells & Bennett, Carrie Craig 357-7772  
 4437 CARSON ST, 3bd/1 1/2, family room, large back yard \$220,000  
 Gadsby & Associates, Ingrid 748-5300  
 3538 KEMPTON WY, nr Piedmont Ave, grand 4+2, FDR, hdwd, frpl \$219,950  
 Coldwell Banker, Stacy Winett 339-1174  
 3907 EVERETT, Sparkling 3bd Glenview trad'l, hdwds, frpl, rec rm \$219,500  
 Wells & Bennett, Katie Meadow 531-7000  
 4041 MAYBELLE, 3bd/2 1/2, rec rm, wkshop area in gar, patio, yd \$219,000  
 Harbor Bay Realty, Kathy Hirsch 414-4836 OPEN SATURDAY 2-4  
 541 MANDANA, Roomy craftsman style fixer, 4bd, FDR w/orig wood \$199,900  
 Wells & Bennett, Sharon Hammond 839-5846  
 3514-16 KEMPTON WY, Delightful duplex, live in one/rent the other \$199,500  
 Better Homes, Mary Jane McConville 287-9583  
 3869 LYMAN RD, Remod 3bd/1ba, deal fell thru/reduced to sell \$199,000  
 Gadsby & Associates, Virgil 748-5300  
 5374 MANILA AVE, Cute 2bd fixer just off College Ave \$185,000  
 Mason-McDuffie, Barry Klein 428-0900  
 6481 BENVENUE #3, Hidden away in back w/serene vws! 2bd/2ba \$179,500  
 Marvin Gardens 527-2700, Ann Ariola Plant 287-8761 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4  
 2128 E. 24th ST, Grand 4+bd/2ba remodeled Victorian, OMC 2nd \$178,888  
 Better Homes, Steven Bisatt 339-1600 X239  
 3952 PATTERSON, Laurel, 2+bd/1+ba bungalow, retrofitted, bsmt \$175,000  
 Pacific Union, Pat Dedekian 339-6460  
 4093 MAPLE, Cute 2bd starter w/bay view, eat-in kit, lg yard, garage \$169,500  
 Wells & Bennett, Stan Hammond 839-5846  
 525 MONTE VISTA #10, Rose Gdn 2/2 condo, desirable bldg/location \$169,000  
 Pacific Union, Joan Hause 339-6460  
 5742 HERMANN ST, Rockridge 2bd/1ba, frpl, low maint, walk BART \$164,500  
 Better Homes, Rachel Baller 330-3860  
 2618 55th, Maxwell Pl, pleasing blend of orig charm & updating, 2/1 \$162,900  
 Coldwell Banker, Kevin McMullen 339-1174  
 4300 MOUNTAIN BL, Redwood Heights, 2+bd/1ba, rustic, creekside \$159,000  
 Rinetti & Company 568-6171 OPEN SUNDAY 1:30-4  
 376 ORANGE ST #2, Charming 2bd Med wtns, FDR, entry courtly \$159,000  
 Wells & Bennett, Noll Davis 531-9536  
 4701 TOMPKINS, Sunny & bright 2bd/1b, hdwds, ez access to 580 \$157,000  
 Coldwell Banker, Ruby Ng 339-1174  
 6015 BUENAVENTURA, 2+bd in immaculate condition \$135,000  
 Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Shirley Covington 287-2532  
 6134 MACARTHUR BL, 3 bdrm, FDR, fireplace, 2-car garage, lg yard \$129,900  
 Broker 523-9300 OPEN SATURDAY 2-4  
 4523 WALNUT, Maxwell Park 2+bd/2ba starter, great potential \$125,000  
 Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Henriette Green 845-2021  
 3854 MAYBELLE, Laurel 1bd/1 1/2 townhome, mint condition! \$119,000  
 Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Lynda Hassan 869-4209  
 2734 MACARTHUR BL, 2+bd/1ba with remodeled kitchen & bath \$99,000  
 Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Steven Naton 433-4554  
 811 YORK ST #326, Studio condo, secure parking, pool, grt location \$40,000  
 Pacific Union, Wendy Gardner 339-6460

## ALBANY Open Sunday

806 WASHINGTON, Lots of space, 3bd/2ba or in-law unit, garage \$269,000  
 Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X112 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4  
 958 NEILSON ST, 3+bd/1ba, charming, 20's bungalow w/frpl, hdwds \$237,000  
 Thornwall Properties, Cecilia Aragon 848-1950 X239 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4  
 934 MASONIC AV, 3bd/1b fixer w/DR, eat-in kit, yd, storage, garage \$210,000  
 Mason-McDuffie, Darn Tinsley 834-2010 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30  
 921 FILLMORE, Albany 2bd/1ba \$185,000  
 Coldwell Banker, Kim Cleveland 486-1495 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

## BERKELEY Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm

1675 LA LOMA, Gorgeous Victorian Landmark! 5bd/4ba \$1,275,000  
 Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X124 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
 20 BROOKSIDE AV, Nw listing! Claremont 2bd +mstr, aupair qtrs \$745,000  
 Templeton Company, Paul Templeton 652-2133 X131  
 12 ALVARADO RD, Lg, airy trad'l, 4/3, kit/fam rm, solarium, aupair \$735,000  
 Templeton Company, Paul Templeton 652-2133 X131  
 649 CRESTON RD, Privacy w/la view! mstr w/frpl +2bd/2ba & in-law \$630,000  
 Marvin Gardens 527-2700, Ann Ariola Plant 287-8761  
 35 PARKSIDE DR, Claremont, English 3bd/3+ba +aupair possibility \$625,000  
 Templeton Company, Paul Templeton 652-2133 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4  
 38 SENIOR AVE, Grizzly Peak 4 1/2, hdwds, Indscpd gardens, view \$599,000  
 The GRUBB Company, Jonn Karnay 339-0400  
 3132 LEWISTON AV, Br Shingle charm! 3 1/2, 3 frpl, library, garden \$585,000  
 The GRUBB Company, Melitta Beeson 339-0400  
 1311 SPRUCE, 6bd/3ba plus in-law, views, bays, sun gallery \$498,000  
 access alley, near shops/parks/UC. 849-2154  
 151 EL CAMINO, Great price! perfect for entertaining, 4/2 w/flat mstr \$495,000  
 Berkeley Hills Realty, Tracy Sichterman 524-2405 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4  
 934 GRIZZLY PEAK, Berkeley 4bd/3ba \$459,000  
 Coldwell Banker, Melissa Lyckberg 486-1495

492 SPRUCE, 3bd w/pano views from 3 levels, remod kit, hdwds \$439,000  
 Marvin Gardens 527-9111, Darrell Hoh 273-9505 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
 2764 SHASTA, Berkeley 3bd/2ba \$429,000  
 Coldwell Banker, Lydia Meisen 486-1495  
 1313 HENRY ST, 3+bd/2+ba townhouse, 1696 sq ft \$399,000  
 Mason-McDuffie 834-2010, Chenita Luster 835-6263  
 7 OAKVALE AV, Unique shingled 2bd/2ba, private outdoor spaces \$395,000  
 Templeton Company, Paul Templeton 652-2133 X131 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4  
 1865 YOSEMITE RD, 1000 Oaks, 3/2, hdwd, FDR, balcony w/bay vw \$339,000  
 Berkeley Hills Realty, Terese Ashman 841-6501 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4  
 1305 HENRY ST, 3 new townhomes, 2 & 3bd, quality, yds & decks \$319,500  
 Pacific Union, Joanna Gould 339-6460 to \$415,000  
 1510 McGEE AVE, 3bd/2+ba, den, rumpus walk BART/Monterey Mkt \$289,000  
 Pacific Union, Rich Gould 339-6460  
 2406-08 CURTIS ST, New listing! duplex, 3bd/2b home +1bd rental \$262,500  
 Templeton Company, Jack McPhail 652-2133 X135  
 1056 EUCLID AVE, Light & sunny 2bd/1ba, good hill location \$239,000  
 Templeton Company, Leslie Avant 652-2133 X122 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4  
 1904 MILVIA, 2+bd/2ba \$219,000  
 Coldwell Banker, Kim Marienthal 486-1495  
 1230 TALBOT, New listing! 3bd bungalow, remod kit, all fixed up! \$187,000  
 Berkeley Hill Realty, Jane Allen 527-7871 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4  
 1125 BLAKE ST, 2bd/1ba, elegant spaces, high ceilings, rare find! \$169,500  
 Thornwall Properties, Kathryn Stein 848-1950 X230 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4  
 2630 McGEE, 1925 2bd bungalow, formal dining room \$157,777  
 Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X113 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4  
 2820 CALIFORNIA ST, Let's move! 3+bd/1ba, fireplace, garage w/ \$153,500  
 wkshop, seismic bracing, exc.valuel! Nakamura Co., Royal 848-2724 SUN 2-4  
 2733 SACRAMENTO, 2/1 cottage, attic, gar, conv to library & laundry \$134,900  
 Berkeley Hills Realty, Chris Ehlers-Hardie 548-4339 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4  
 2147 STUART #3, Berkeley 1bd/1ba \$116,000  
 Coldwell Banker, The Longs 486-1495

## CASTRO VALLEY Open Sunday

5212 WILDROSE, 4bd/4 1/2, elegance with a view! \$799,000  
 Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Yehuda Ben-David 869-4205 SUNDAY 2-4:40

## EL CERRITO Open Sunday

921 ARLINGTON, Charming view home, 2bd/2ba \$269,000  
 Mason-McDuffie 339-9290, Gene Boomer 869-4202 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

## EMERYVILLE Open Sunday

4300 HORTON #10, 1+1+, former 2-level model U in live/wk wares \$215,000  
 Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X105 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

## KENSINGTON Open Sunday

57 STRATFORD, Spacious, charming 3bd/2 1/2, 1 owner, wooded lot \$364,000  
 Marvin Gardens, Bruce Simon 273-9593, 527-2700 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4

## PIEDMONT Open Sunday 2-4:30 pm

201 CROCKER AVE, Elegant 4bd/3 1/2, space & charm, updt kit \$1,250,000  
 The GRUBB Company, Elizabeth Dickson 339-0400

333 HAMPTON RD, 4 1/2, library, level garden, private patio, views \$1,135,000  
 The GRUBB Company, Jean Simmons 339-0400

11 LA SALLE AVE, 4bd/3ba, FDR, den, rumpus, spacious floor plan \$569,000  
 The GRUBB Company, Connie Rogers 339-0400

18 NACE AVE, Charming single, walk to school/field, new kit, vws \$549,000  
 The GRUBB Company, Mindy Scott 339-0400

56 MONTICELLO AVE, 1st open! 4bd/3ba, family room, spa \$529,000  
 Mason-McDuffie 428-0900, Himm/Vasey 644-5464

36 RAMONA AVE, Level-in 3/2, FDR, family rm, private deck \$525,000  
 Pacific Union, Sally Morrison 339-6460

308 SCENIC AVE, Fab pano view, 4+bd/2ba, remodeled kit, lg deck \$499,000  
 The GRUBB Company, Susanne Paul 339-0400

165 LAKE AVE, Delightful 2-story trad, 3+2, formal LR & DR, deck \$424,000  
 The GRUBB Company, Katherine Cooper 339-0400

221 HIGHLAND AV, Charming 3bd/2+ba w/potential central location \$395,000  
 The GRUBB Company, Kurt Meyer 339-0400

100 ESTATES DR, 3bd/2ba, rumpus, hdwds, bay vw, walk to shops \$389,000  
 Pacific Union, Tom Anthony 339-6460

2240 BENEDICT DR, 3bd/2ba lovely Bay-O-Vista home on 1 level \$217,000  
 Gadsby & Associates, Leah 748-5300 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

14835 E.14th St, Nw, quality constr 2 1/2 units, frpl, laundry, VA, FHA \$137,000  
 Federighi & Co., Frank 352-3270/635-1155 OPEN SAT-SUNDAY 12-5 and up

## SAN LEANDRO Open Sunday

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### REPAYMENT REQUIRED

MasterCard and Visa Accepted

## TRANSPORTATION

### Autos

All Autos Wanted! Full Internal Revenue Service Tax Deduction for 1997 to help the Homeless Children Please call us at 415-871-0885 We need Vans, Cars, RVs, Trucks. Thank you

### CARS FOR \$125

Seized and sold locally by IRS, DEA, FBI. 800-522-2730, ext. 2714.

FORD Thunderbird 1982, loaded, excellent condition. \$5,900 Ford Escort 1989, automatic, 48,000 miles, \$2,900. 769-6106.

HONDA Accord, 1987, 40K, runs excellent, air, new inside/outside, excellent condition, \$4,800. Offer 865-1647.

KEEP IT Local! Donate your vehicle to Berkeley Bikes, helping Berkeley's children since 1983. Tax deductible. We'll pick up and do the paperwork. Call 704-0467.

MAZDA, 1982 DX, good condition, air, 4 door, 8 month warranty, 99K, \$5500. Neil 686-1010.

MINI Cooper, 1987 Van, 99K, automatic, air, alarm, custom paint, AM/FM cassette, \$5900. Offer 504-4824.

NISSAN Sentra, 1982, 2 door, standard, good condition, 92K miles, \$2,200. 769-1299 evenings/leave message.

SEIZED CARS FOR \$175  
Porsche, Cadillac, Chevy, BMW's, Corvettes. Also Jeeps, 4 Wheel Drives Your Area. Toll free 1-800-216-9000, Ext. A-7057 for current listings.

VOLKSWAGEN Cabriolet, 1987, automatic, cassette, excellent condition, low miles. Low Book. \$4,900 asking \$4,500. 769-8057.

VOLVO, 1982 DL, 130,000 miles, manual, sunroof, AM/FM cassette, alarm. Excellent \$2900/offer. 504-4824.

### Boats-Service & Storage

1985 KAWI 500, plus custom trailer with lots of modifications. 510-521-6023 call or leave message.

### BULLETIN BOARD

As a community service The Hills Newspapers is pleased to offer Found, Giveaway and Lost ads free of charge (maximum 15 words for 2 weeks).

### Announcements

Boy Scout uniforms. Clean out the closet and recycle them to help youngsters. Leave at The Montclair office, 5707 Redwood Rd., #4, Oakland. 510-521-6023 call or leave message.

### Found

YOUNG? cat, declawed, silver steel gray. Little Broadway Terrace area. 547-5744.

ADORABLE, small 6 month female puppy, near Highland Hospital, fox-like face. Owner or adopt. 533-8150.

BORDER Collie mix, 10 months old, black with white markings. Call to identify/adopt. 836-3666.

FEMALE, Rotweiler found February 10th in Albany. 527-6500.

FEMALE Shepherd/Terrier mix, February 9th, Frontage Rd./University, Berkeley. White hair, tan markings. 525-2033.

### Giveaway

URGENTLY need temporary foster homes for homeless animals. Need food, cages, litter, traps. Marc 510-444-3204.

"MONTE", 6 years, DSH, friendly, energetic, solid gray, indoor/outdoor. Reward. 652-7927.

"MAJIC", 4 years, large gray Tabby, friendly, independent, neutered/tested, shots. Donation 658-6011.

"ARNOLD", white with black, DLH 2 years, very affectionate. Donation. 769-1032.

"CARLE", 1 year DSH, black, incredibly affectionate, neutered/tested shots. Donation 656-1160.

"BENJAMIN", DSH, black, affectionate, playful, sweet, neutered shots. Accused, needs Tender Loving Care. Donation. 763-6850.

"MINKY" female rabbit, 1 1/2 years, petite, lopped ears, white with brown spots, sweet. Donation 635-2943.

BORDER Collie mix puppy, 11 week female, black/white, petite features. Donation. 339-2514.

1984 FUNK and Wagnell encyclopedia set, Pet dogs, Mucosy, quilt, friendly, need secured year 535-1876.

DESPERATELY need donations and cash for medical, food, boarding. Please help the animals. 359-3999.

### Lost

BLOND Cocker, long ears and tall, collar with blue tag, severe medical problems, needs medication to survive. Berkeley, 510-848-5515. Reward.

LOST Siamese kitten 4 months male White Chocolate point. Reward. Broadway Terrace, Owin Road. 655-0485.

DOG, male Chihuahua, deer type, light brown, 10 lbs., Cypress/Adeline. Reward offered. 923-1009.

DO you have our duck? Gray/white. Last seen Shepherd Canyon at Moore. Eric 339-3294.

LOST medium, cat, fluffy, light brown/black stripes, no tags. Montgomery St/Piedmont Ave. 655-5312.

LOST - blond Cocker Spaniel, "Maggie" Wednesday February 12th/Evening, by Skyline High School. Card 330-7268.

## 303 Instruction & Tutoring

### MATH/READING TUTORS

All levels. Individual tutoring, your home. Patient, kind, effective. Experienced, credentialed teachers. Reasonable rates. References. Alan 415-527-5542.

### Musical Instruction

ROCKENBACH guitar and bass lessons. 25-30 minutes. Very patient. Ages 9-95. 531-5625 messages.

PIANO Lessons, Jazz, Blues, Classical, More. Experienced, Patient, All Ages, First lesson free. Ariel 865-3943.

PIANO: Have fun learning classical piano! Creative, individualized instruction. All ages welcome! Two lessons free with enrollment. Judith, thorough pro, ex-conservatory faculty. Judith Melles, 843-4541.

GUITAR made simple! B.A., Music Specialist-McCabe Music School 10 years. Recording Artist. Donnie 337-0315.

PIANO, organ lessons, your home, all styles/levels. Adults a specialty. Very experienced. Linda 655-0690.

GUITAR and composition lessons-jazz and rock styles. Berkeley College of Music graduate. Kent 845-7973.

## EMPLOYMENT

### Help Wanted

ACCOUNTING - PART-TIME  
Small, kinder, gentler coffee firm requires strong accounting, math computer skills. Do monthly close, payroll, A/R, bank reconciliation, etc. No commuting. \$12/hour, full benefits. 7:30-noon, Monday-Friday. Fax resume and salary history. 510-426-4004.

ACCOUNTING clerk, copy shop in exciting SF financial district, near Embarcadero BART, strong A/R, collections skills, A/P. Heavy data entry. Approximately 24 hours/week. \$12/hour to start. Resume to: 2900 Buena Vista, Berkeley 94708.

ADMINISTRATIVE Assistant for small progressive direct mail company. Varied duties, knowledge of WordPerfect necessary. Full-time, good benefits. Resume to: MWA, Attention: Jonelle, 2550 9th Street, #103, Berkeley, CA 94710.

ADMINISTRATIVE Assistant for an interesting small business near Piedmont Ave. 10th/12th. Microsoft Word, creative, flexible, organized. Fax resume to: Chrissy at 595-8397.

### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Piedmont-based manufacturer seeks Sales and Marketing Coordinator/Administrative Assistant for corporate office. Must have 2+ years experience. Wholesale/retail sales. Must be computer literate. Familiar with databases and handle variety of jobs simultaneously. Please mail resume with salary history to: 1375 Grand Ave., Piedmont, CA 94610 or fax to 510-654-7759.

ADMINISTRATIVE Assistant. Berkeley furniture maker seeks motivated individual for administrative support/basic bookkeeping duties. Good English skills required. Duties include: WordPerfect, spreadsheet, light bookkeeping, telephone, errands. Fax resume to 510-548-0865.

APARTMENT manager to manage 20 unit building. free apartment, must pass credit check. 865-0300.

### ASSISTANT

Part-time, reliable assistant for an unconventional firm of edit/nurse and other work in North Berkeley. If you are very well organized, like variety and an occasional challenge, are a clear communicator, and want a position for 10 hours/week, more or less. Please write: TMS, P.O. Box 8214, Berkeley, CA 94707.

ASSISTANT/Secretary, phone, computer, and accurate A/R, good business sense. Cantonese speaking preferred. (510) 527-8777.

BILLING/Receptionist, Berkeley consulting firm, accurate A/R, good business sense. Please write and resume. 510-649-9650.

BOOKKEEPER for Alameda property management company. A/P, R, organization and attention to detail. Yard experience preferred. Fax resume 521-3492.

BOOKKEEPER for Lake Merritt law firm (Insurance Defense Litigation). Part-time, experience Assist with A/R, P, Billings. Approximate 15 hours a week. Please call Gay Rice (510) 444-1735, Monday-Friday 8-4.

### BUILDING MANAGER/MAINTENANCE

Need on-site manager for 95 unit condo, 2 buildings, Jean St. in Oakland. Perform light maintenance tasks, some general janitorial, supervise part-time help, handle office calls, 4 hours per day, be available for emergencies. We provide tools, supplies, \$850/month. Send resume: Jean Tarrance, P.O. Box 7025, Fremont, CA 94537, or fax: 510-490-0572, attention Sharon.

### CAREER

Financial planning career orientation seminar. Reservations required. Waddell & Reed, Inc. For information 510-633-1121.

CASHIER/Host(ess), evenings, busy restaurant, 25-30 hours/week. Apply in person: 1491 Solano, Albany.

CASHIERS for Food Mart in Montclair. Full-time/Part-time. Good pay and benefits. 339-1064, Tuesday-Saturday.

CATERING display, in-house, platter delivery. 25+ hours. \$8-10/hour, DOE. 547-0066, phone. 801-8251, fax.

CHAIRSIDE Dental Assistant for Montclair dental practice. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday. Experienced preferred but local trainees interviewed. 547-2037.

### CITY OF OAKLAND CURRENT VACANCIES

POSITION: Neighborhood Services Coordinator  
SALARY RANGE: \$3,066-\$3,765/month

APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE: FEBRUARY 18-MARCH 7, 1997  
For more information apply in person or please send a resume and stamped envelope and request to:  
Office Personnel Resource Management  
505 14th Street, Suite 101  
Oakland, CA 94612  
(City Center - 14th Street near Broadway)  
510-238-3526

CLAIMS Examiner/Adjuster. Quicken software required, medical a plus. \$33,000 plus. Growth opportunity! AppleOne, 835-0210.

CLAIMS processors, Medicare, medical knowledge a plus. Excellent opportunity, start immediately. AppleOne, 835-0210.

CLASSROOM Tutor in small private school to assist 2 students and social interaction delayed first graders. Expectations and enjoyment of children a necessity. Special education psychology or child development a plus. Tutor will be trained by staff. Must have references. Salary \$10-15/hour. Contact Suzanne 836-3453.

### CLERICAL

Courier/filer room lead to oversee film management staff for radiology practice in Berkeley. Excellent communication/basic computer skills required. Generous benefits. Resume to: Job #66C, BMMI, 2123 Ygnacio Valley Rd., #200K, Walnut Creek 94598. EOE.

### COFFEE STORE/ESPRESSO BAR

Seeks experienced person to takeover managerial duties. Must be highly motivated with strong retail office background and own transportation. Send resume/letter to: P.O. Box 9979, Oakland, CA 94613 or fax to: 510-632-7089.

## 401 Help Wanted

COORDINATOR: Community oriented individual assist to coordinate international exchange program. Duties include recruiting host families, acting as school liaison and providing student support. Stipend paid for community service. Call the ASPECT Foundation at 1-800-609-4674.

### COPY EDITOR

Award-winning 25,000 circulation community newspaper needs an experienced copy editor for part-time position (30 hours a week). Must have price experience designing pages, writing headlines and editing copy. Macintosh knowledge (particularly PageMaker) a must, along with excellent grammar, spelling and working knowledge of the AP Stylebook. Send cover letter and resume immediately to: Editor, Gloria Salvante, Alameda Journal, 1516 Oak St., Alameda, CA 94501-2991 or fax to: 746-1665. No phone calls, please.

CUSTOMER SERVICE: Medical experience, computer knowledge, good communication skills. Non-profit immediate openings! AppleOne, 835-0210.

CUSTOMER Service/Inside Sales. Industrial Supplies Background. \$35K Annual. Laser Agency, 1430 Franklin, Oakland. 893-9612.

CYBELLES' Pizza, Montclair now hiring drivers. Cakes, Evening shifts, part-time. Mike 482-8157.

DATA Entry/phones/courier sales. Must be bright, energetic, quick learner, part-time. Established retail store, pleasant environment. Fax resume: 510-254-8122.

DENTAL Appointment Manager, Oakland. We're looking for a bright, motivated team player with outstanding customer service skills to manage our schedule. If you are enthusiastic and enjoy challenges and welcome growth opportunities this job is for you. You would like to part of a patient centered practice that truly appreciates staff. No competitive wages and a full benefits package including incentive bonus available. Computer and dental experience preferred. Call 832-3713.

### DRIVER

Deliver copy in company van for small Emeryville firm. We will train you to service equipment. 2 years driving experience. Clean DMV. Non-smoking environment. \$10/hour and benefits. Fax resume and wage history. 510-428-4004.

DRIVER/Delivery/Parts-Local Training/Bottal-Small Truck \$12,133. Laser Agency, 1430 Franklin, Oakland. 893-9612.

ENERGETIC, experienced preschool daycare worker, full-time or part-time. Berkeley. 644-1709.

EXPERIENCED waitperson, bartender, cocktail, dishwasher, host(ess). Apply in person. 29 Restaurant, 300 29th Ave. 9-11 a.m.

FACILITIES/CONSTRUCTION SPECIALIST with the Contra Costa Community College District in Martinez. Starting salary \$3536 per month, with 5% increase after 6 months. Excellent benefits. Requires Bachelor's degree and 3 years experience in major capital construction or remodeling projects, including technical report writing and environmental compliance. Desire experience in computerized hazardous waste inventory, 5 year planning and space inventory. Deadline March 14, 1997. Call 510-229-1000, ext. 350. EOE.

### GENERAL OFFICE

StarQuest, a dynamic and rapidly growing software company located in Berkeley, is seeking an office assistant to perform various accounting and general office tasks. Including A/P, data entry, filing, and phone answering, computer skills a must. Must be detail oriented, efficient and well organized. Position is part-time, Monday-Friday, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Excellent growth opportunity for those seeking a degree and 3 years experience. Please send resume to: M.P.E., Berkeley Software Inc., P.O. Box 11916, Berkeley 94712 or fax to 510-704-2001.

GENERAL WAREHOUSE/DRIVER. Small Cargo Truck. Full-time position. Import company located near Oakland Airport. Good opportunity to learn industry from bottom up, \$7/hour to start, good benefits. Please call 633-1241.

GROCERY clerk position available. Experience required. Looking for long-term employment? Medical benefits, vacation pay. Must be able to Sea Breeze Market (Berkeley Marina) 486-8119.

HORTICULTURIST needed, interior landscape company searching for plant technician for service maintenance, foliage plants. Experienced/horticulture background preferred. Must be capable, energetic, reliable and have own car. Call 510-652-6020.

HOTEL VALET  
Valet attendances, cashiers, part-time/full-time. Wage plus tips. 1-800-701-3763.

INSURANCE Commercial Customer Service Representative for progressive East Bay agency. Insurance license, Word, Excel a must. Applied experience preferred. Fax resume: 510-632-5054.

LEGAL secretary, receptionist. Oakland law firm. Part-time, flexible hours. Excellent office skills required. Fax resume: 783-2305.

MAINTENANCE Mechanic. Trouble-Shot, Electrical, Hydraulic, Production Machinery/ Weld. \$18K. Laser Agency, 1430 Franklin, Oakland. 893-9612.

MEDICAL/ Podiatry back office, approximately 32 hours/week medical experience, people person. Fax resume: 510-783-0116.

### MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST

For Dermatology practice in Berkeley. Seek versatile, detail oriented individual with excellent communication skills and recent experience in a medical environment. Good salary plus top benefit package. 510-795-8121 or fax: Personnel Dept. 415-873-2408.

Publish Your Flotitious Business Name With Us

### Garage & Estate Sales

### Help Wanted

THE BERKELEY VOICE or THE EL CERRITO JOURNAL Garage Sale regular deadline is Monday at 11 a.m. For more information call 339-8777.

### SPECIALS

Alameda Antiques- 1519 Park Street. Antique furniture, collectibles, jewelry, clothing, 30 dealers. Resale furniture.

ALBANY: 1126 Solano Ave. Sunday, February 23rd, 11-5. Sale: Turkish Kilims and rug pillows. 510-287-8608.

### EL CERRITO ESTATE SALE

200 Pomeranians, Sunday, 10-5. Construction, Murphy bed, Sewing machine, sewing iron, Deco bed room, 1950's dnette, drop leaf dining set, Mikasa china, cedar chest, silver, washer, dryer, household, glassware, TV, collectibles, lots more. Mary and Jim. 522-1438.

### ESTATES PURCHASED

Single items or entire contents. Furniture, books, memorabilia, art, jewelry, silver, toys, rug, photography, much more. We will pay a fair price. Prompt and reasonable. 510-530-18



## Help Wanted

## TELLER

California Federal Bank has an outstanding opportunity available for a part-time Teller at its San Francisco location.

Applicants must have excellent customer service, communication skills and a strong desire to learn. The ability to work under pressure is essential.

For a competitive salary and benefits package, please send your resume to: California Federal Bank, 280 El Cerrito Plaza, El Cerrito, CA 94530. An EOE.

## CALIFORNIA FEDERAL BANK

Are you working for big business? Do you want a fulfilling career in the financial services industry?

California Federal Bank is seeking a high caliber, motivated, and multi-talented individual to support the office of the President. This position will have a significant impact on the bank's success in providing administrative support to the President. The ideal candidate will be able to manage a busy executive's schedule, coordinate travel arrangements, and handle confidential information. The position offers a competitive salary and benefits package. If you are interested, please send your resume to: California Federal Bank, 280 El Cerrito Plaza, El Cerrito, CA 94530. An EOE.

Teacher, minimum 24 units, 1997-1998. The Model School, 2330 Broadway, Berkeley 94705.

Are you looking for grounds person. Full or part time. Also hydraulic log splitter operator. Please call 530-8265.

Processing/Data Entry/ Customer Service/Part-time positions. Resume to: HC, 2000 University Ave., Oakland 94612.

## Independent Employment

Are you in this classification offer self-employment opportunities. An investment may be required.

Are you looking for a home based business? Part-time/Full-time. Please call 530-8265.

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## 409 Childcare Wanted

CHILD CARE: light housekeeping, Piedmont. Monday-Thursday afternoons, own car. 452-0143 after 6:30.

BABYSITTER: Housecleaner. Part-time. Must have own car. Six hours a week. References. Wards 489-1060.

AFTERNOONS: until 7; cooking, errands for 5 and 6 year olds. Experienced. Car. Message 339-7375.

NANNY NEEDED Monday-Friday 12:30-5:30, 8 1/2 year old in Albany. Temporary. May. Transportation needed. More positions available. No fee. Nightingale Nannies 510-357-4222.

SEEKING loving, responsible childcare worker for infant in Piedmont. Must have experience, references, safety training and car. 20-30 hours; light housekeeping and errands. Cindy 482-3502.

## 410 Shared Childcare

SHARE nanny with 22 month, Crocker Highlands. Prefer 12-38 month child, full-time. Paid, 510-835-5850.

SHARE loving, devoted babysitter with my happy 1 year old son. Near El Cerrito Plaza. Prefer full-time. Willing to playmate also open. Here, 527-0375.

## 411 Childcare - Licensed

CHILD CARE, Skyline area, 16 months and older. Preschool activities, structure, Montessori work. License #010206795. 530-8630.

MAB'S Garden, quality childcare. Excellent references, cozy home. Great outdoors. Infant/Toddler. MAB, 530-8353. #010215793.

LOOKING for a happy, safe and healthy childcare? We have preschool activities, including circle-time, crafts, Spanish, reading, indoor/outdoor play, homemade meals in a caring and loving environment. Great El Cerrito BART. 1-800 location, reasonable rates, strong references. ECE/CPA certified. #070212539. Call Espe 510-236-9146.

## 412 Babysitting Offered

INFANT, toddlers care in my Albany home by experienced mother. Reasonable rates. Call Tatiana, 527-8563.

INFANT care available full-time mid-March, my Albany home, very experienced and caring. CPR, references available. Breastfed infants welcome. Kim 523-8748.

## 413 Home Health Care Offered

The following people would like to be hired as Home Health Care Providers. If you are looking for a job as a Home Health Care Provider, please see Categories 401 and 408.

## ABLE CARE INC.

Our you in need of care? Able Care has a variety of services. Call 685-4704 or 1-800-580-2253.

## CAREING, mature, experience care provider, will do personal care and light housekeeping.

Monday-Friday, 636-9429.

## CERTIFIED Nurses Assistant available. Provide quality care. 12 years plus experience. Good references. Val 510-420-0761.

## FINANCIAL

## 501 Businesses For Sale

BERKELEY Restaurant. Great location, established, good lease, reasonable sale, \$32,000. 530-2716.

## 502 Business Opportunities &amp; Services

Advertisers in this classification offer self-employment opportunities. An investment may be required.

## IS YOUR BUSINESS FOR SALE?

Interested in Acquiring Northern California Manufacturing or Distribution business with a potential for growth. The ideal business should require capital, marketing management and a unique product position.

If you are interested in selling all or part of your business, please send a brief business description and product brochure to: 5707 Redwood Rd., #4, Box K, Oakland, CA 94619.

## 503 Financial Services

## CASH

I buy notes and mortgages for cash. Call John 510-655-7528, Celestial Properties.

CUT up to 10 years off the life of your home loan and save tens of thousands of dollars in interest without refinancing. FREE ANALYSIS. Get details. 510-536-1147, Celestial Properties.

## BAD CREDIT? NEED A LOAN?

We can help! 1-888-628-5656.

## FOR SALE

## 603 Garage &amp; Estate Sales

## GARAGE SALE ADS?

See Clip 'n Go on the 1st page of Classified Ads

## Home Furnishings

## 15th ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL

Buy 2 or more custom mini-blinds this year and we will clean them free of charge next year. Call Maria Interiors at 569-7540 for details.

MOTIONLESS waterbed w/ box spring, metal frame, heater; king, 3 years, top quality; \$500. Teak, oak bookshelves, lamps, up-stuff; 500. 510-308-9013.

TWO new, double bookcase headboards from Saw Mill, finished oak. \$400 new! Best offer. 530-9105.

\$1350-1920's mahogany china cabinet; Oak dining table \$1000; silver/plated; bench \$850; 1920's Cherry tea table \$350; Upholstered foot stool \$250; Mahogany secretary \$150; rosewood and table \$100; wood end table \$100; oak chairs, high-backed backs, \$100 each; 1900's Chinese wood carving \$100; faux antique grandfather clock \$100. 549-2920.

## 606 Miscellaneous For Sale

SEASONED firewood. Open daily, 5900 Coliseum Way. 635-1779. From \$10; Oak, almond, walnut, eucalyptus, pine.

FIREWOOD. Seasoned eucalyptus/pine; \$109 plus \$3/mile. 489 total picked up. 339-8245.

MAC SE, imagewriter 2 printer and modem, good condition, loaded with software, \$500. 814-0385.

SNOWBOARDS for sale, Uniswiss, new, \$180. Call Les 261-7175.

## 607 Miscellaneous Wanted

WANTED: An old toy train Lionel, Marx, American Flyer. Ives - 547-1278.

## 608 Musical Instruments

## WAREHOUSE PIANO SALE

Up to 50% OFF! 2 DAYS ONLY! SATURDAY 10-5 & SUNDAY 12-5

COLTON PIANO 2421 Peralta St., Oakland

383-1564

2913 hours to assist Alameda mom with her 12 year old son. Part-time to full-time. Spanish, fluent English and car required. 510-5549.

Childcare aide part-time, 9 year Care-nannies. Infant Positioning, feeding, driving. 924-2333.

Childcare for 4 year old girl, North Berkeley. Monday, Tuesday, 2:30-5:30. Experienced, fluent English and car required. 924-2333.

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PIANO, Roland 5000 upright with MT-100 digital sequencer and sound module; \$1800. Two really good office desks; \$150 each. Or best offers. Dedi 769-9104.

## 609 Pets - Care &amp; Supplies

"2ND Home" boarding for dogs up to 30 pounds. Pampering. Licensed Veterinary Nurse. Michele 544-1199.

## POOP AND SCOOP

We pick up for dogs, cats, housewrens associations, specialty farms, disabled persons, elderly persons. Since 1988. Rates start at \$6 per week. Call 510-935-7667.

## RENTALS

## PUBLISHER'S NOTICE

All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to Federal Fair Housing Act in 1968 which makes it illegal to advertise "any discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial composition or marital and physical handicap, or an intention to make such discrimination, limitation of discrimination." This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the laws. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. Provided as a service by Hills Newspapers, Inc. and the Oakland Association of REALTORS on behalf of REALTORS who are signatories on the Voluntary Affirmative Marketing Agreement.

## 703 Garage &amp; Storage Rentals

TWO Berkeley garages, Emerson and Shattuck Avenue, \$270 month for both. 510-736-3842, ask for AJ.

## 704 Housing Wanted

SUBLET wanted for mature visiting relative, 4 weeks, March/April, near Elmwood or Claremont. 546-9311.

PROFESSIONAL couple (Landscape Designer and Researcher/ Poet) seeking cottage, apartment, house, or shared house. Work exchange possible. Bruce/Denise (510)524-1916.

PROFESSIONAL English, single male looking for in-law apartment/cottage in Montclair, Oakland, Berkeley Hills. Excellent tenant and references. Michael 428-2463.

## 706 Sublets &amp; Short-Term Rentals

\$575 MONTCLAIR 1-2 rooms on own level, private bath, deck, beautiful canyon setting. 339-7175.

## 707 Vacation Rentals Bed &amp; Breakfast

NORTH Tahoe, Dollar Point. 4 bedroom home, sleeps 9. View, pool, beach, tennis. 415-323-4055.

## APTS - CONDOS - FLATS FOR RENT

## 709 Alameda

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Charlotte Bocha, 965 Veterans Dr., Martinez,  
CA 94553  
Annie Douglas, 1525 Wendy Ln., Pleasant  
Hill, CA 94566  
This business is conducted by Co-Partners.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on December 30, 1996.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on December 30, 1996.  
The Journal January 30, February 6, 13, 20,  
1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-7809  
The Name of the Business:  
Blue Lake Enterprises, 4965 Bayleaf Ct., Mar-  
tinez, CA 94553.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on December 30, 1996.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on December 30, 1996.  
The Journal January 30, February 6, 13, 20,  
1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-7810  
The Name of the Business:  
1) Shadmester, 2) Sperry's Tennis Management,  
1119 Aspen Drive, Concord, CA 94520.  
Are registered by the following owner:  
David Sperry, 1119 Aspen Drive, Concord, CA  
94520.  
These businesses are conducted by Individuals-  
Husband and Wife.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 10, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 10, 1997.  
The Journal January 30, February 6, 13, 20,  
1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-7811  
The Name of the Business:  
Distinctive Skylights, 556 B De Carlo Ave., Rich-  
mond, 94801.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Fried Morgan, 8605 Don Carol Drive, El Cerrito,  
CA 94530.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 21, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 21, 1997.  
The Journal January 30, February 6, 13, 20,  
1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-7812  
The Name of the Business:  
Lovely's Collection, 556 B De Carlo Ave., Rich-  
mond, CA 94801.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 15, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 15, 1997.  
The Journal January 30, February 6, 13, 20,  
1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-7813  
The Name of the Business:  
Universal Network Alliance, 620 Center Ave.,  
Martinez, CA 94553.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 15, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 15, 1997.  
The Journal January 30, February 6, 13, 20,  
1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-7814  
The Name of the Business:  
Applied Training, 1435 El Dorado Dr., Suite 100,  
Concord, CA 94515.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Kevin C. Gray, 1435 El Dorado Dr., Concord,  
CA 94515.  
This business is conducted by a General Part-  
nership.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on October 15, 1996.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 14, 1997.  
The Journal January 30, February 6, 13, 20,  
1997.

**CITY OF ALBANY**  
**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**  
Sealed Proposals for the work specified within  
these Special Provisions entitled:  
**CITY OF ALBANY**  
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**NO. STPLMA-5178(003)**

will be received at the Office of the City Clerk  
which is located at 1000 San Pablo Avenue,  
Albany, California, until 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday,  
March 11, 1997, at which time they will be publicly  
opened and read.  
General work description: The construction of  
curb access ramps, sidewalks and gutter at  
various locations within the City limits including  
removal of existing sidewalk, curb and gutter, and  
other miscellaneous related items as provided for  
in the official contract documents prepared there-  
for.

This project has a goal of ten percent (10%)  
disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) partici-  
pation.  
THIS PROJECT IS SUBJECT TO THE "BUY  
AMERICA" PROVISIONS OF THE SURFACE  
TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE ACT OF  
1982 AS AMENDED BY THE INTERMODAL  
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION EFFICIENCY  
ACT OF 1991.

No pre-bid meeting is scheduled for this project.  
Bids are required for the entire work described  
herein.  
The Contractor shall possess a General Engineer-  
ing Class A or concrete Contractor Class C or  
license at the time of Contract Award.  
Project plans, special provisions and proposal  
forms for bidding this project can be obtained at  
the Office of the Director of Community Develop-  
ment and Environmental Resources, City of  
Albany, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany, CA  
94518.

Non-refundable fee of \$20.00 PER SET  
(\$30.00 if mailed)  
Technical questions should be directed to the City  
Engineer at Lupton, Cronin, Cooper, Morris &  
Poore, Inc., 3855 Alhambra Avenue, Martinez,  
CA 94553, telephone (510) 228-4218.  
The successful bidder shall furnish a payment  
bond and a performance bond.  
The City of Albany hereby notifies all bidders that  
it will affirmatively insure that any contract entered  
into pursuant to this advertisement, disqualify  
tagged business enterprises where Federal aid  
opportunity to submit bids in response to this in-  
vitation and will not be discriminated against on  
the grounds of race, color, or national origin in con-  
sideration for an award.

Pursuant to Section 1773 of the Labor Code, the  
general prevailing wage rates in the county, or  
countries, in which the work is to be done have  
been determined by the Director of the California  
Department of Industrial Relations. These wage  
rates and the Federal minimum wage rates for  
this project as predetermined by the United States  
Secretary of Labor are set forth in these special  
provisions. Future effective dates, general prevailing  
wage rates which have been predetermined and are  
on file with the California Department of Industrial  
Relations are referenced but not printed in the  
general prevailing wage rates.

Attention is directed to the Federal minimum  
wage rate requirements set forth in these special  
provisions. If there is a difference between the  
minimum wage rates predetermined by the Secre-  
tary of Labor and the California Department of  
Industrial Relations for similar classifications of  
labor, the Contractor and subcontractors shall pay  
not less than the higher wage rate. The Depart-  
ment will not accept lower State wage rates nor  
specifically included in the Federal minimum  
wage determinations. This includes "Helper" (or  
other classifications based on hours of experience)  
or any other classification not appearing in the  
Federal wage determinations. Where Federal  
wage determinations do not contain the State  
wage rate determination otherwise available for

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use by the Contractor and subcontractors, the  
Contractor and subcontractors shall not pay less  
than the Federal minimum wage rate which most  
closely approximates the duties of the employees  
in question.  
The City Council reserves the right to reject any or  
all bids received as the public good may require.

**CITY OF ALBANY**  
By: Randolph W. Lupton-City Engineer  
By: Jacqueline L. Buckhorn-City Clerk  
Dated: January 23, 1997  
The Journal February 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-283  
The Name of the Business:  
Nadya's Beauty Salon, 10823 San Pablo Ave.,  
Richmond, CA 94533.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Nurya Ginzog, 704 Sea View Dr., El Cerrito,  
CA 94530.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 14, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 14, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-512  
The Name of the Business:  
HSA Electronics, 2056 East St., Concord, CA  
94520.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Graham S. Kahlon, 3461 A Sanford St., Con-  
cord, CA 94520.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 24, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 24, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-513  
The Name of the Business:  
Signing Unlimited, 2452 Walnut Blvd., Walnut  
Creek, CA 94596.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Teresa M. DeGane, 2452 Walnut Blvd., Walnut  
Creek, CA 94596.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 16, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 16, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-505  
The Name of the Business:  
T & M Associates, 535 - 2nd St., Suite 1, Rodeo,  
CA 94572.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Todd Christopher Sorrell, 535 - 2nd St., Suite 1,  
Rodeo, CA 94572.  
This business is conducted by an individual-  
Husband and Wife.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 24, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 24, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-185  
The Name of the Business:  
Tepenne Tax Services, 775 Brookside Drive,  
Richmond, CA 94801.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Peter Huenerbein, 775 Brookside Drive, Rich-  
mond, CA 94801.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 15, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 9, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-237  
The Name of the Business:  
Beto's Body Shop, 221 24th St., Richmond, CA  
94804.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Luis Cadenas Maldonado, 354 Henry St., Oak-  
land, CA 94607.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 10, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 10, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-487  
The Name of the Business:  
Pure Energy, 1915 Pine St., Martinez, CA 94553.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Michelle K. Elliot, 1915 Pine St., Martinez, CA  
94553.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 23, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 23, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-545  
The Name of the Business:  
Interior Designers Purchasing Alliance, 1875  
David Ave., Concord, CA 94518.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Francisco T. Flores, 1875 David Ave., Concord,  
CA 94518.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 27, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 27, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-560  
The Name of the Business:  
Institute for Tax & Investment Strategies, 1241  
Homestead Ave., #210, Walnut Creek, CA 94596.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Maroon Chavira, 1241 Homestead Ave., #210,  
Walnut Creek, CA 94596.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 27, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 27, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-152  
The Name of the Business:  
Francisco's Hapido, 2562 Apollon Way, Pinole,  
CA 94563.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Francisco T. Abungan, 248 Grissom St., Her-  
cules, CA 94547.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 8, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 8, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-001  
The Name of the Business:  
Home Careers Unlimited, 615 Cerezo Dr., Walnut  
Creek, CA 94596.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Husban and Wife.

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Ruby L. Horace, 165 Cerezo Dr., Walnut Creek,  
CA 94596.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant has not yet begun to transact busi-  
ness under the fictitious business name listed  
herein.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 21, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-342  
The Name of the Business:  
Angela's Home Help Services, 3520 Ridgewood  
Way, Richmond, CA 94806.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Angela L. Pascual, 3520 Ridgewood Way,  
Richmond, CA 94806.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 16, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 16, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-180  
The Name of the Business:  
Floor Fashions, 961 Garcia Ave., #G, Pittsburg,  
CA 94565.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Erik Ehlers, 20255 Winton St., Corona, CA  
91709.  
This business is conducted by a Joint Venture.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 8, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 8, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-228  
The Name of the Business:  
Advanced Healthcare Services, 2381 Sand Point  
Court, Byron, CA 94514.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Theresa M. Hall, 2381 Sand Point Court, Byron,  
CA 94514.  
This business is conducted by a General Part-  
nership.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 10, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 10, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-001  
The Name of the Business:  
CIMCO Creative, 723 Century Way - P.O. Box  
653, Danville, CA 94504.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
CIMCO Manufacturing, Incorporated, Califor-  
nia.  
This business is conducted by a Corporation.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 26, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 26, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-825  
The Name of the Business:  
A-One Leasing Co., 1502 Richmond St., El Cer-  
rito, CA 94530.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Peter Daniels, 1502 Richmond St., El Cerrito,  
CA 94530.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 26, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 26, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-373  
The Name of the Business:  
Just For "U" Catering, 880 Carlson Blvd., Rich-  
mond, CA 94804.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Janet Dolores Willis, 880 Carlson Blvd., Rich-  
mond, CA 94804.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 17, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 17, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-397  
The Name of the Business:  
TAD SERVICES, 320 Windmill Cyn. Pl., Clayton,  
CA 94517.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Teri Ann Dashwood, 320 Windmill Cyn. Pl.,  
Clayton, CA 94517.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 17, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 17, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-458  
The Name of the Business:  
1) Seventh Day, 2) Total Energy Services, 123  
Compton Court, San Ramon, CA 94583.  
Are registered by the following owner:  
Michael Junipert, 123 Compton Ct., San  
Ramon, CA 94583.  
This business is conducted by Co-partners.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business names listed above  
on January 1, 1996.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 22, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-650  
The Name of the Business:  
SHIRAZ FOOD COMPANY, 2634 Hilltop Mall  
Rd., #110, Richmond, CA 94806.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Mohammad H. Samimi, 1401 Rifle Range Rd.,  
El Cerrito, CA 94530.  
This business is conducted by a General Part-  
nership.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 30, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 30, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-354  
The Name of the Business:  
Quality One Cleaning, 2750 Prospect St., Con-  
cord, CA 94518.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Mary Lopez, 2750 Prospect St., Concord, CA  
94518.  
This business is conducted by a General Part-  
nership.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business name listed above  
on January 30, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 30, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-340  
The Name of the Business:  
Northwood Marketing, 2442 Wildhorse Dr., San  
Ramon, CA 94583.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business names listed above  
on January 13, 1996.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 13, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-322  
The Name of the Business:  
Becker Studios, 20 Sunrise Hill Rd., Orinda,  
CA 94563.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Brett Adam Becker, 20 Sunrise Hill, Orinda,  
CA 94563.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business names listed above  
on January 16, 1996.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 16, 1997.  
The Journal February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-448  
The Name of the Business:  
Liz Wright, Natural Hair, 4322 Goldenhill Dr.,  
Pittsburg, CA 94565-6260.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Veronica C. Peters, 4322 Goldenhill Dr., Pitts-  
burg, CA 94565-6260.

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The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business names listed above  
on January 15, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 15, 1997.  
The Journal February 13, 20, 27, March 6, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-323  
The Name of the Business:  
Shardonnay, 20 Sunrise Hill Rd., Orinda, CA  
94563.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Marianne Becker, 20 Sunrise Hill Rd., Orinda,  
CA 94563.  
This business is conducted by Co-Partners.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business names listed above  
in January, 1997.  
Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra  
Costa County on January 15, 1997.  
The Journal February 13, 20, 27, March 6, 1997.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 97-857  
The Name of the Business:  
Trudy's Little Rascals, 4121 Amargosa Dr., Anti-  
loch, CA 94509.  
This business is conducted by the following owner:  
Trudy J. Scamporrini, 4121 Amargosa Dr., Anti-  
loch, CA 94509.  
This business is conducted by an individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business  
under the fictitious business names listed above  
on December 4,



# Cougars

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Morgan Theis, and left forward Teresa Diaz initiated Albany's high-scoring offense with their quickness and clever, controlled passing.

The keepers, Catrina Borger and Raya Lalazar, overcame their understandable concerns with throwing themselves in front of speeding orbs, to excel at the position, improving with each match.

Sweeper Emma Swan was the adhesive which made the Cougars' success stick all season, tirelessly clearing the ball from in front of the goal.

Completing Albany's remarkable showing was the support the team received from the community and school. Gall said she had never seen a group of parents remain so enthusiastic, saying they would "bend over backwards to make this program work."

In a season of spectacular gains and sacrifices, Gall said she was most inspired by the visible changes in her players' assuredness in just over two months. What the team has accomplished on the field transcends mere wins and losses.

"They've blossomed so much in their confidence," Gall said proudly. "In the beginning of the season, they were sort of uncertain about everything, but now they walk around school and they're celebrities. That's one of the wonderful things sports can do."

Jeff Lindquist  
Skyline and  
Albany varsity  
soccer players  
bang  
heads Tues-  
day as the  
Cougars beat  
the Titans to  
advance to  
the second  
round of the  
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playoffs.



## Mavericks' cup dreams end in Morgan Hill

The Alameda - Contra Costa Mavericks Under-12 Boys continued their unprecedented run at the state cup with a trip to the Final Four last weekend in Morgan Hill.

Despite a loss to the Ajax Attack (Modesto) in the semifinal Feb. 16, the Final Four appearance was an historic first for a Mavs team since the start of that Class 1 - select program.

Coach Edwin Wai's team earned the tourney with a hard-fought, 2-1 quarterfinal win over

the River City Lighting (Sacramento) last Saturday.

Forward Erick Reyes begun with a powerful blast from deep in the right corner, less than one minute into the match. Michael Ricchiuto then headed in a cross from the same right corner from Samuel Pinheiro.

Late in the first half, on an offside penalty against the Lightning, Franco Serra stunned the crowd with a penalty kick directly into the net from more than 60 yards out. Unfortunately the kick was indirect, and the goal did not count

since no one else touched the ball.

River City finally scored in the second half to cut the lead in half, but the Mavs defense, as it has all tournament, baffled the Lightning offense and held firm to send the team to the Final Four, the last remaining Bay Area team.

In the semifinal against Ajax, the Mavs spotted their opponent a 1 - 0 lead, then tied the game on a penalty kick by Anthony Butler.

Ajax added two more goals before the half, and another at the start of the second to take a seemingly

insurmountable, 4 - 1 lead, but the Mavs showed their heart and battled back in a fast and furious final 15 minutes, scoring on another crossing shot by Reyes, and the now-familiar Pinheiro to Ricchiuto scoring combo, to close within 4 - 3.

The Mavs were driving to the Ajax goal again as the final whistle blew, ending their state cup dreams, but marking the most successful Mavs team effort for any age group and any team in the history of the program.

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# TAX TIPS

A Feature of the Advertising Department

## Tax Tips for the Self-Employed

by Bill Pezick, EA, CFP

You probably know that you can be self-employed part time, whether or not you are also employed full time, provided you are genuinely trying to make a profit, and do such things as devote time regularly to the business, in a business-like way. But do you also know that...

- An office in home may still be deductible if it is the main office of the business and the place where most business activity happens or where you meet with clients regularly or store product samples.

- The I.R.S. may allow immediate write-off of tangible personal property up to \$17,500 the year it is purchased and put in use, gradually increasing to \$25,000 over the next few years.

- Regardless of your home

office status, mileage among multiple business destinations and to many temporary locations is still deductible.

- When you log travel and entertainment expenses at the time, you may not need a receipt for items under \$75.

- For many businesses, standard several-year depreciation is 5 years, not 7; for commercial software, maximum 3 years, maybe one year.

- The I.R.S. has established a procedure to allow catch-up depreciation in the year of sale.

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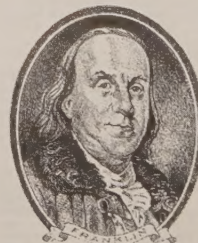
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